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SECOND SECTION

ALL THE BEST FEATURES EVERY DAY.

CITY NEWS
Sports and Markets

POSSIBILITIES OF SAINT JOHN AS AIR-PORT ARE BROUGHT NEARER

SECRETARY OF CANADIAN AIR FORCE CITY

J. A. Wilson Speaks of Development of Air Mail Route

GIVES ADDRESS AT KIWANIS LUNCHEON

Trans-Atlantic Mails Likely First That Would Be Affected

POSSIBILITIES of Saint John becoming a great air-port as well as a great seaport, and becoming an important link in an all-Canada air route development, were brought closer to view by J. A. Wilson, secretary of the Royal Canadian Air Force, Ottawa, in the course of an interview this morning with The Evening Times-Star.

Sketching the history of aviation since the close of the war, Mr. Wilson referred to the splendid strides made by the United States and European countries in the development of air mail and commercial routes. Practically every country in the world was paying a great deal of attention to the transport, the United States already having 8,000 miles of air mail routes, and contractors were now arranging to develop commercial and passenger services.

CANADA PRAISED.

While carefully avoiding any appearance of undue enthusiasm, Mr. Wilson pointed out that Canada was the best equipped country in the world insofar as aerial surveying, for work and mapping were concerned. But, he said, there was a great opportunity ahead to develop aviation, especially air mail routes. These were proving successful in other countries and Canada could not afford to lag behind.

TIME FOR ACTION.

Canada was a large country with a comparatively small population and there was no chance of an air mail service paying for many years, continued Mr. Wilson. It might be developed as a luxury, but he pointed out to the splendid aid that an aerial service had been to surveyors, foresters and military men. This branch had been developed along sound lines and he felt that the time had arrived for some active movement in the direction of air mail routes.

While Canada was behind somewhat in the development of air routes, Mr. Wilson believed our tardiness would be compensated for by benefits we would derive from the experience of other countries. The policy of "making haste slowly" had been fully justified.

TRANS-ATLANTIC FIRST

In the establishment of air mail routes, Mr. Wilson said it was proposed to start with the hastening of trans-Atlantic mail. A fundamental of this development was the co-operation on the part of individual communities in the establishment of bases and fields.

In Europe and the United States, said Mr. Wilson, the speed of routes largely depended on community co-operation, and the rate of progress in Canada would also depend to a great extent on the aid received from the different localities where the routes were running.

Stressing this need for community co-operation Mr. Wilson pointed out that the first consideration was the establishment of a landing field, equipped with a hangar. These facilities naturally came first, and Mr. Wilson sought to make it plain that these initial requirements were essential to any part of a start in the direction of civil aviation and the development of services of any character.

At noon today Mr. Wilson addressed the newly-organized Kiwanis Club on the subject of Civil Aviation.

PERSONALS

Mrs. W. Albert Wilson, Manawagonish road, is ill at her home with bronchitis. Her friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Harold W. Rising returned today from Montreal, Ottawa and Quebec. While in Montreal he attended a meeting of the National Shoe Association.

Frank G. Wilson, manager of the Saint John dry dock, returned today from Montreal.

JANUARY BUTTERFLY

Driven from its out-door haunts by the storm, a small green colored butterfly took refuge in the dining room of the Clifton House, Grand street, yesterday, and was caught by one of the waitresses.

Ward C. Pitfield Here From Montreal Today To Address Board of Trade

Local News

DOOR LEFT OPEN.
A door in a Prince William street office was found open and later secured by Policeman Ross.

TOBoggAN PARTY.
A number of young ladies enjoyed a toboggan party at Lily Lake last evening, afterwards repasting to the home of Miss L. Frenne, 88 St. Patrick street, where a bean supper was served. Music and dancing were later enjoyed.

GOES JOURNEYING AT 72

Mrs. Susan Devienne of Somerset street, has gone to Newark, N. J., to visit her son, and expects to visit Oregon before returning. She is 72 years old and is traveling the entire distance.

WAS ON COMMITTEE

Among those who took an active part in arranging for the Christmas treat given last evening by the Order of Buffaloes was George Shonnon, whose name was inadvertently omitted from the list of those on the committee.

FIRE ADJUSTMENT

E. Percy Howard returned today from Harvey where he went to adjust the insurance loss on the fire which destroyed the Brunswick Hotel there. The hotel was owned by Mrs. Robinson, who was severely injured in the fire, but now is recovering.

UNDERGOES OPERATION.

Friends of Miss Marjorie Murray, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Murray, 168 St. James street, will be pleased to know that she has successfully undergone a serious operation in the General Public Hospital, and was released as resting comfortably last night.

GOES TO DRY DOCK.

The tern schooner Fiddwood, consigned to Kerrison and Linton, will finish discharging coal at the Commercial wharf, and will be towed to Courtney Bay to go on the marine hauler, and will be re-coaled and will also undergo a thorough overhauling.

BOXES SOLD OUT.

The box seats for the hockey game tomorrow night between the Fusiliers and the Montreal Athletics have been practically sold out. It was announced this morning by the management of the Arena. It is expected that the largest crowd of the season will be present to witness this game, which should be one of the best to be played here this season.

BRIDGE AND FORTY-FIVES

Mr. and Mrs. B. Haines entertained a party at their home, High street, last evening at bridge and auction forty-fives. The prize winners for bridge were Miss Kathleen Carter and Miss Mabel Campbell, and for forty-fives, Mrs. Walter McColgan and Edward Coleman. The hostess was assisted in serving refreshments by Miss Nan Bell, Miss Marion Elliott and Miss Lucille Comeau.

FAREWELL GIFT.

Miss Jean Clancy, 68 Murray street, was delightfully surprised last evening, when about 40 of her friends called to tender her a farewell party, prior to her return to New York. A pleasant evening was spent in dancing and cards, and refreshments were served by her friends. She was made recipient of a hand bag. Miss Clancy will leave on Saturday from New York.

A. Y. P. A. PLANS.

The A. Y. P. A. of the Church of the Most Shepherd, Fairview, last evening, made plans to hold an entertainment early in February, and also to have a sleigh drive on January 25. The members unanimously accepted an invitation to attend an A. Y. P. A. social at the home of Mrs. A. Y. Nelson, the president, was in the chair, and Rev. F. J. LeRoy led a devotional service.

BIRTHDAY PRESENTATION

Mrs. James D. Deans, Rockland Road, and about 20 friends, assembled at the home of Miss Hilda Deans, 98 Winter street, on Tuesday evening, in honor of her birthday. Music and games were enjoyed, and during the evening James Deans, on behalf of the guests, presented a silk umbrella to Miss Deans. Delicious refreshments were served, and the party broke up about midnight.

DEATH OF GIRL.

The death of Ada Brooks, aged 11 years, occurred early this morning at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Brooks, 79 Bridge street. She had been ill with pneumonia only a few days and her death came as a great shock to relatives and friends. She is survived by her parents, four brothers, Harry, Cecil, Arthur and George, and three sisters, Jennie, Bertha and Viola, all at home. The funeral will be held on Saturday afternoon at 2:30 from 79 Bridge street.

CREDITORS MEET

The creditors of J. Chester Brown met yesterday afternoon and the Canadian Credit Men's Association was appointed trustee. Mr. Brown submitted a composition offer, which will be voted on by the creditors on January 28. The creditors of Mrs. Rose Jacobson met this morning at the office of the Canadian Credit Men's Association, and appointed the association as trustee. The trustee was instructed to sell the assets in conjunction with the inspectors.

BANK CLEARINGS.

Saint John bank clearings for the week ending today were \$2,608,081, last year \$2,799,451; in 1925 \$2,418,982. Halifax, clearing this week were \$3,285,884. The Montreal figures were \$3,159,224.

MANY CHANGES MADE IN BUILDING LAWS

Code Built Up With Special Reference to Conditions Here

PERMIT FEES WILL NET \$2,000 ANNUALLY

Criticism in Brittain Report Hardly Justified, Says C. C. Kirby

That the criticism of William Storey, engineer on the Brittain survey, of the proposed building code was hardly justified and that the code had been built up with special reference to conditions here, was the statement made this morning by C. C. Kirby at the committee meeting of the council when the code was discussed and some amendments approved.

FINDINGS ACCEPTABLE.

The members of the council expressed themselves as willing to accept the findings of the committee. Kirby said that the code had been built up with special reference to conditions here, and that there was no need for a great number of regulations not found at all in the Toronto Act.

THE SCALE OF FEES FOR PERMITS

was amended to read that the fee should be \$1 for each \$100 of value, but for everything over \$50,000 the fee should be 50 cents for each \$100 of value. This, he said, was the scale of fees in Toronto.

NEW REQUIREMENTS

A new section was added to chapter 9 to provide that no building could be erected on posts higher than 10 feet from the ground.

The section dealing with the height of buildings on which a wood sign could be erected was amended to read that no sign could be erected on a building higher than 22 feet, and a rider added that the sign must be covered by some approved fire resisting material.

Chapter 29, dealing with the storing of explosives, was deleted, as this matter comes under the provisions of the fire law.

In Chapter 30, section 3, the title was changed to read "repairs and replacements, and made to read that where the damage done to any building was more than 50 per cent, of the replacement value, it must be considered a reconstruction and come under the provisions of the code.

FLOOR SPACE SAME

The requirement that each room in a house should have 80 square feet of floor space having been questioned, the committee, after consideration, felt this should stand, and the council agreed.

Commissioner Prink expressing the opinion that this was not workable.

The changes agreed to by the council this morning are to be made in the coming week and will be presented to the council for ratification.

BREWERY REPORT.

Rumor of negotiations for the sale of Reddy's Brewery could not be confirmed today, although it is understood that outside capital has been interested in the property.

BOY IN TROUBLE

A juvenile appeared before Magistrate Henderson at noon today on the charge of stealing coal from the Consumers Coal Company. He was allowed to go on suspended sentence and with a warning. The parents of the boy were in court. The youth was arrested yesterday afternoon by Special Constable R. Preston, who is employed by the coal company.

Ready to Help Saint John Get Better Port Facilities, Is Statement of Matthew Lodge

"I am ready at any time to take off my coat and assist Saint John in obtaining better port facilities," Matthew Lodge, New Brunswick Director of the Canadian National Railways said in an interview with The Times-Star here today. Mr. Lodge is here on private business and will return to his home in Montreal tonight.

He said he sincerely hoped that Saint John would be successful in obtaining harbor nationalization and was of the opinion that this was the only way to relieve the congestion that has been prevalent and to admit the trade the port must have.

JOHN COLWELL SEVERELY INJURED AT UNION DEPOT

North End Man Falls From Roof—Feared Skull Fractured

John Colwell 140 Victoria street, a carpenter in the employ of the Canadian National Railways, was severely injured this morning about 10 o'clock when he fell from an umbrella roof of the train shed at the Union depot.

He was on the roof dismantling it in preparation for the new train shed. He fell to the concrete flooring, a distance of about 12 feet, lighting on his head and shoulders.

The ambulance was called and the injured man removed immediately to the General Public Hospital, where it was said this afternoon that he had not regained consciousness. Mr. Colwell is a heavily built, thickest man, and his fall was a severe one. It was thought that he had received a fracture to the skull and possibly a fractured shoulder blade.

TWO ENTER CONVENT

Miss Agnes Butler to be Sister of Charity

Miss Agnes Butler, one of North End's popular young ladies, has entered the community of the Sisters of Charity here at the mother house, Cliff street. She is the second eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Butler, 194 Metcalf street, and a sister of Rev. Joseph Butler, curate to Rev. Father Landry in Buctouche. She is a graduate of St. Vincent's High School, class of '24, and since then has been in the employ of the Canadian Drug Co., Prince William street.

On Wednesday evening last Miss Butler was the guest of a number of friends at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Lunney, Adelaide street, and presented to the guests a number of friends. She was present in the city for the occasion of her entry into the convent on the Feast of Epiphany. Miss M. McElliott, of Kelly's Cross, P. E. I., another postulant, also entered the sisterhood here on the same day.

ARE 43 YEARS WED

Mr. and Mrs. James Morrow Are Honored

Mr. and Mrs. James Morrow, Kennebunk Island, observed the 43rd anniversary of their wedding day yesterday. Their daughters are Mrs. Walter Codner, and Mrs. Walter Stevens, the sons, Clarence and Vincent Morrow. Twenty-five relatives and friends were the guests of the celebration, and were joined by friends and neighbors in the community. Others present were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Codner, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Morrow and Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Morrow.

Congratulations were extended and John Higgins, on behalf of those present, presented a mahogany clock. The evening was spent in cards and dancing, music for the latter being provided by Clarence and Vincent Morrow. Refreshments were served.

Laundry Business Change Announced

Rumor of the sale of Vail's Globe Laundry, which has been in operation since the first of the year, has changed hands, and is now owned by the Vail Laundry.

IN MEMORIAM

THOMPSON—In loving memory of Mrs. Thomas Thompson (nee Elsie Beckett), who died on January 12, 1926. She will never be forgotten. Sweetest thoughts will always linger around Fernhill, where she is laid.

SISTERS AND BROTHERS.

NUTTALL—In loving memory of Anna C. Nuttall, who departed this life Jan. 12, 1924.

HUSBAND AND FAMILY.

ROSE—At her home in West Saint John, on Wednesday, Jan. 12, 1927, after a lingering illness, Alice, beloved wife of John D. Rose, leaving behind her husband, two sons and two daughters, and three sisters.

Funeral on Friday morning at 10 o'clock from St. Thomas' church, Black River, Thursday at 2:30 p. m. from St. John's church, 195 St. John's street, at 10 o'clock.

POINT RAISED BY COUNSEL IN "GROTTO" CASE

Man Brought the Liquor to Cafe, Is Evidence of Witnesses

Further evidence was heard yesterday afternoon in the Police Court, in the case of Hum Hai, charged with having liquor in his restaurant on Union street. The defendant, a waitress of the cafe and a man who was present last Sunday night when the liquor was found, gave evidence on behalf of the defense.

Their statements agreed that a man named Philip Torey had brought the whiskey into the stall of the cafe and on appearance of Sergeant Corvee, hid it under a chair. They further stated, when the officer had left, Torey went to the other side of the stall and picked up a full bottle of whiskey, remarking "well, he only got half of it." J. Starr Tate for the prosecution, cross examined the witnesses.

DEFENSE CONTENTION

W. Grant Smith, for the defense, said in his opinion his client was absolutely innocent of wrong doing and the fact that liquor had been found in the cafe did not prove he was guilty, would ask the magistrate to dismiss the case. The words "having liquor in his possession" meant having control of same and in this case Hal did not have the liquor or see it until the sergeant seized the bottle. He was of the opinion the proprietor of the cafe in the city were entitled to justice and protection from cases of this kind and would ask the magistrate to dismiss the case.

MRS. HARRY BROWN HEAD OF RUTH LODGE

Manchester Unity Installation is Conducted—Good Progress in Membership

Ruth Lodge, I.O.O.F., Manchester Unity, held installation of officers last evening in the Market Building. A. W. Black, D. G. M., assisted by R. L. Berringer, P. P. G. M., installed the officers as follows: Noble grand, Mrs. Harry Brown; vice-grand, Mrs. L. Berringer; secretary, Mrs. J. E. Courtney; chaplain, Mrs. Violet Stanley; lodge grand mistress, Mrs. C. A. Duplessis; treasurer, Mrs. A. W. Black; permanent secretary, Mrs. R. L. Berringer; election secretary, Mrs. Emily Pyfield; inside guard, Mrs. Theodore Vallis; outside guard, Mrs. Anne Hannon; and the order named to Bernard, San Juan, Prot de France, St. Pierre, Barbados, Port of Spain, La Guayra, Curacao, Cartagena, Cristobal, Kingston, Port au Prince, Havana, Nassau and back to New York.

NONE TODAY.

A clear sheet, as far as drunkenness is concerned, was placed before the justices in the Police Court this morning.

DEATHS

ROSE—At her home in West Saint John, on Wednesday, Jan. 12, after a lingering illness, Alice, beloved wife of John D. Rose, leaving behind her husband, two sons and two daughters, and three sisters.

MAHONEY—At Melrose, Westchester County, on Jan. 12, 1927, Mary Mahoney, widow of John D. Mahoney, in her 84th year, leaving five sons and two daughters.

Funeral on Friday morning at 10 o'clock from St. Thomas' church, Black River, Thursday at 2:30 p. m. from St. John's church, 195 St. John's street, at 10 o'clock.

PROF. CHAS. SCOTT GOING TO WINDSOR

Rothsay Collegiate School Staff Member to be Headmaster at Kings

Professor Charles Scott, of Rothsay Collegiate School, has been appointed headmaster of King's College, Windsor, N. S., and will assume his duties on March 1. Formerly of London University, England, Professor Scott came to Canada and joined the staff of Rothsay College where he served for the last nine and a half years.

Martin Head Light Continues Operation

The Marine and Fisheries Department has announced this morning that the Martin Head light, above Quaco Head, which is usually discontinued about January 1, will continue to operate while lumber is being shipped from Martin Head. It is expected that the light will be in operation all winter as there is a large amount of lumber to be shipped from there to this port.

FOUND BY THE POLICE.

A Chinese laundry check, in Prince Edward street, by Policeman McNeill, Jan. 12, 1927.

STILL ALARM

A chimney fire at 114 Prince Edward street at 9 o'clock last night was put out by two firemen who went to the scene in the chief's car. No alarm was rung in as it was only a slight fire with no damage.

Further Plans For Fernhill Announced

THE quarterly meeting of the directors of the Fernhill Cemetery Co. was held yesterday afternoon, when the usual reports were received and routine business disposed of. The superintendent reported that all the solid rock below Central avenue, about 100 cubic yards, has been removed in record time by the new air compressor, and the staff are now busy filling in the space with earth, and getting it ready for subdivision into lots in the spring.

Will Speak at Dinner at 6.30 In Admiral Beatty Hotel

SAINT JOHN today welcomes one of her sons, who has risen to an outstanding position in the financial world and who comes to address the Board of Trade this evening at a dinner at the Admiral Beatty Hotel at 6.30 o'clock. He is Ward C. Pitfield, of Montreal, vice-president and general manager of the Royal Securities Corporation.

Corporation Has Had Financing of Many Important Maritime Interests

The hope is expressed that this will not be the only such occasion and also that it will bring into even closer alliance with the Maritimes the financial resources of the large corporation he represents.

SAINT JOHN MAN.

Mr. Pitfield is a Saint John man, son of the late Ward C. Pitfield, and was educated at Rothsay Collegiate School. Since taking up his residence in Montreal he has become one of the leading financiers in the Dominion.

FIRST ADDRESS HERE.

Although he has been in the city on numerous occasions this will be the first time for him to address a gathering in his former home.

Mr. Pitfield is a director of the Fraser Co.'s Ltd., the Nova Scotia Tramways, Moir's Ltd., Acadia Sugar Refining Co., and has been instrumental in directing many millions of dollars into these and other Maritime industries.

TO MANAGE CRUISE

Don Cable on C. P. R. West Indies Trip

Don Cable, of the Canadian Pacific staff here, will leave tomorrow for New York. He will have charge of the West Indies cruise on the company's steamer Montevideo, which will sail from New York on the first cruise on January 26 and the second cruise from New York on February 28, each cruise lasting 29 days.

Will Leave Here For South Africa

Alfred and Reginald Harrison, of Stockton, Eng., who have been visiting their sisters, Mrs. Henry Wheaton, East Saint John, and Mrs. Harold Lauder, Metcalf street, were guests of honor at a social gathering last night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wheaton, Metcalf street. A short program, consisting of selections by the McEachern quartette, solos by William and John McEachern, piano solo by Mrs. William McEachern and selections by a mixed quartette, composed of Mr. and Mrs. William McEachern and Mr. and Mrs. Henry McEachern, was carried out. Refreshments were served. Messrs. Harrison are to leave on Friday for South Africa.

Mrs. A. Ross Dies In West Saint John

The death of Mrs. Arthur Ross occurred at her home, 161 Winslow street, West Saint John, on Wednesday after a lingering illness. She is survived by her husband, two sons and two daughters, her father, mother, three brothers and three sisters. The sons are Arthur and Walter Ross, and the daughters, Mrs. Horace Meating and Miss Gladys Ross. Mrs. Ross was born in South Shields, England.

OFFER IS DECLINED

Reported Bid For Packing Co. Plant

A representative of the Harris Abattoir Company, Ltd., of Toronto, was in the city this week, it was stated today, to confer with the directors of the British Canadian Packing Company and to make them an offer for the purchase of their plant at East Saint John. It is understood the directors of the Packing Company declined the offer. The amount involved was not given for publication.