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NEWSPAPER MEN COMING EAST

Canadian Weekly Newspaper Association Will Visit Here In June.

The manager of the Graphic has been notified that a very large party of newspaper men from all over Canada will visit Campbellton in June next.

The Canadian Weekly Newspaper Association, which is composed of the publishers of nearly all the weekly papers in the Dominion are coming east and on to Halifax where they will hold their annual convention on June 18th and 19th.

Last year over five hundred delegates assembled at Ottawa and in 1921 about five hundred met at Vancouver, B. C., so it is expected as many will be down east this year.

So far as known the special train will leave Toronto, June 14th. The first stop in N. B. will be at Fredericton. From Fredericton to St. John the special train will go over the Valley railway. From St. John the delegates will cross the Bay of Digby and proceed thence via the Antigonish Valley to Halifax.

After the convention is over the special train will proceed to Cape Breton, thence to P. E. I. and on to Quebec via the North Shore. Stops will be made at Newcastle and Campbellton.

Among this party will be some of the brightest men in the newspaper field in Canada.

DISASTROUS FIRE AT JACQUET RIVER

Bayview Hotel Completely Destroyed Yesterday Morning With Considerable Loss.

The Bayview Hotel at Jacquet River was completely destroyed by fire yesterday morning. The blaze broke out about eight o'clock and although discovered shortly after its inception the flames got beyond control before any fire-fighting apparatus could be got to the scene. The building carried very little insurance so that the loss which included some furniture will be a heavy one amounting to several thousand dollars.

The cause of the fire is more or less of a mystery which defies elucidation for the entire building is burned to the ground and leaves no chance to establish any clues as to the origin of the blaze. Flames were first discovered on the second floor about the middle of the building and judging from the locality it appears that the fire started in an inside partition in this vicinity. The hotel is heated by stoves but there was neither gas nor pipes in this particular part of the building.

Mr. Paul Doyle was the proprietor and owner of the Bayview. Mr. Doyle is well known to the travelling public on the north shore.

Arrangements will be made for entertainment at this point.

Subscribing for the Graphic.

MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL

Water and Town Hall Debentures to Be Issued—To Vote on Question.

A meeting of the town council was held on Thursday evening last in the town clerk's office. His Worship Mayor Mackay occupied the chair and Councillors Marquis, Gilker, Graham, Bellefleur, Gorman and St. Onge were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

A communication from Dr. Pinaud, chairman of the local Red Cross Society, was read requesting that a milk inspector be appointed here. This was laid on the table to be taken up later.

A letter from the proprietors of the Central Bookstore was read, stating that during the Christmas season the lights in their store were out on two different nights, there being no electric current to supply them. The store was crowded with customers at the time and consequently goods were broken and some very also, stolen. The letter estimated the loss, including the loss of business at from \$175.00 to \$200.00 and offered to settle the matter for a clear receipt of their electric light account amounting to some \$80.00. This matter was referred to the Electric Light Committee they to confer with the town solicitor.

A communication was next read from the Secretary of the Fire Brigade asking for the rooms in the Fire Station Building when vacated by the town clerk and treasurer when these officials occupy their new offices in the new Municipal Building.

A motion was made to have this letter referred to the Public Property and Streets Committee. At this juncture Councillor Graham pointed out that the fire station came under the control of the Fire and Protection Committee. His Worship stated that he understood that all town buildings were under the control of the Public Property and Streets Committee. Coun. Graham then suggested turning to page thirty of the By-Laws and reading the section referring to this matter. This was done and it was found that according to the by-laws the fire committee had control of the fire station. On a vote being taken the council divided and His Worship gave the deciding vote in favor of the Public Property and Streets Committee.

David Roy, the building inspector, reported the issue of permits during 1922 amounted to \$202,000. He enclosed his account for salary \$120. The report was received and placed on file and salary ordered paid.

The next item was a letter from Clarence B. H. Hann with reference to his assessment. This was referred to the Assessment and Appeals Committee.

A communication from Isaac Boudreau (painter), was read next. This notified the council that unless the lane leading to Hillside Street was widened and put in a passable condition he would take legal action in the matter. Referred to Public Property and Streets Committee.

An application from Ernest Sarzen for a job as driver of one of the town motor trucks during the summer was ordered placed on file for future reference.

A communication was read from O. J. Klein, and also another from Colin MacKenzie on behalf of Harry Gulligan, both regarding their assessments for 1922. These were referred to the Assessment and Appeals Committee.

The lease entered into with Robt. L. Duncan for land upon which the pumping station is situated was submitted to the council for signature. The lease covers a period of twenty years at a rental of \$50 per annum and calls for two hundred feet of land on the Walker Brook at this point. Mayor and Town Clerk were authorized to execute same on behalf of the town.

A statement from the Soldiers Memorial Hospital, being a fund account in the Thompson case and amounting to \$275, was presented. Referred to the Public Charities Committee with instructions to consult the town solicitor.

The usual departmental accounts were then heard and ordered paid with the exception of one from J. & D. A. Harquan which included an item for \$25.00 for an ice door for the pumping station. The item, at the price stated, was not quite clear and the bill was held for investigation.

Coun. Gilker from the Assessment and Appeals Committee reported on recommending that a license be issued to George McLeod to conduct a confectionery store on payment of \$15. Report received and adopted.

His Worship then asked deputy Mayor Marquis to take the chair when he moved a motion that an election be held on Tuesday, March 27th, asking the ratepayers for authority to issue debentures to the amount of \$25,000, to cover in part the expenditure for the new town hall. Considerable discussion took place over this matter, it being pointed out that it would be wise to make provision for the issue of bonds to cover capital expenditure on electric light and water as these matters demand attention and their permanent improvement will necessitate considerable outlay. It was also pointed out that \$25,000 would not even cover the total cost of the new municipal building. The Mayor's motion, however, was finally passed.

IN FAVOR OF TOWN

Extracts of Letter From a Prominent Woodstock Citizen.

The following extracts are from a letter written by a prominent Woodstock gentleman to a Campbellton citizen:—

"I have noticed with some amusement the reference in your Tribune to Woodstock, which is held up as a 'horrible example to the town manager plan of civic government. It is hard to understand an argument of this nature when it is couched by the whole country around that we have the best governed town and the records all go to prove that the plan is an entire success. If the learned editor of the Tribune would read over our town report and the literature in connection with the administration of affairs he might, perhaps, take a different view of the situation."

Personally, I have taken a deep interest in the scheme from its inception and I shall watch events in Campbellton with the same interest."

A motion to the effect that the Town Clerk and Town Treasurer be instructed to ascertain the amount of capital expenditure for electric light and water not already covered by a bond issue, was passed. The motion also provided that legislation be asked to issue bonds to cover the amount.

The matter of making provision for more adequate water supply was taken up next. It was suggested that a ten foot dam could be erected on the Walker Brook at a small cost which would supply present needs. It was further pointed out that this dam could be raised sufficiently to meet future requirements. On motion the town engineer was instructed to get an estimate of the cost of such a dam.

A further motion was passed to the effect that legislation be provided for the issue of bonds to cover this amount be secured as a precautionary measure in the event of the work being undertaken.

Councillor Gilker brought up the matter of the cost of assessment and suggested that assessors be paid \$5.00 per day, the amount paid to each not to exceed \$200. Other suggestions were advanced but Coun. Gilker's was finally passed.

The Council then adjourned.

HYDRO ELECTRIC AGAIN DISCUSSED

Rate of Nine-Tenths of a Cent Promised on 2000 H. P. Contract.

The Committee of the Whole of the Town Council had a conference here yesterday afternoon with C. O. Foss of the New Brunswick Hydro-Electric Commission in reference to Campbellton being supplied with hydro-electric current from the proposed Grand Falls development. Mr. Foss enquired as to the amount of current Campbellton would likely require in order to place the town's plan in operation before the meeting in figures. Two thousand horse power was submitted as a basis and figuring on this amount Mr. Foss stated a rate of \$22.00 per horse power per year would be given. This, he pointed out, was equal to nine-tenths of a cent per kilowatt hour and was the rate for current supplied at the Campbellton switch board.

Mr. Foss stated that the current could be supplied within eighteen months. This invitation of the commission was to take it from Grand Falls to St. Leonards and from there to Campbellton by way of the I. N. R. route.

The amount of power which would be developed under the plan which is now being considered by the hydro commission is placed at 50,000 H. P. Mr. Foss is making a tour of towns throughout the northern part of the province which are interested in the Grand Falls power project in order to ascertain how much current could be disposed of if the proposed plan were carried through.

On Wednesday afternoon, Mar. 7th, Mrs. J. R. Wood very pleasantly entertained a number of young people at a birthday party in honor of her two little daughters, Misses Viola and Aurel. About twenty-five little folks were in attendance, when singing, games, etc., were enjoyed all returning home about eight o'clock, having had a delightful time. Those present were: Olive and Mary Miller, Jean Baird, Vito Davis, Betty Campbell, Jean Christopher, Doris Adair, Pauline Wall, Kathryn Cassey, Lambert MacNutt, Helen Nelson, Isabel Goddard, Dorothy Sunderland, Helen Duncan, Verna Hamilton, Evelyn Gerard, Dorothy Mundle, Frances Fitzpatrick, Ethel, Earl and Donald Woodworth. The little girls in whose honor the party was given received many dainty gifts from their friends.



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