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LOCAL NEWS

BOYS HAVE GOOD LEAD.

The boys were in the large majority in the births registered this week by the deputy registrar of vital statistics. The total reported was 28 and of these 18 were boys and 10 girls. Three marriages were reported for the week.

DIES IN SUSSEX.

St. John friends will be sorry to learn of the death of Miss Catherine Ryan of Sussex, which occurred there on Friday afternoon after a short illness of pneumonia. The funeral will be held in Sunday afternoon from the residence of Mrs. A. Reardon, in Sussex.

WORK GOES ON WELL.

A start was made today on laying the pipe in the remaining section of the new water main on the west side and it is hoped to have the pipe all laid by Monday evening. Commissioner Wigmore said this morning. Good progress was also being made with the sewer on St. John's street and this would probably be completed next week.

DEATHS NUMBER 12.

Thirteen deaths were reported to the Board of Health for the week ending today from the following causes: Pneumonia, three; asthma, heart failure, aneurysm of aorta, cardiac complications, senile gangrene, bronchopneumonia, infantile scurvy, pulmonary tuberculosis, lymphatic leukaemia, cellulitis of right forearm, one each.

WAS APPRECIATED.

A very much appreciated departure made by the street department of public works after the last snowstorm was the plowing and clearing up of the auto parking stand on the west side of King Square. This location is much used by shoppers, people taking their meals in restaurants and hotels, theatregoers and dancing parties. The northern side was cleared likewise.

TO IMPROVE IMPERIAL FRONT.

In making preliminary surveys for the new hotel on King Square yesterday engineers made some observations from the roof of Imperial Theatre and fire escapes. This was particularly to learn heights having to do with windows and lighting. It is said the Keith people will improve their frontage when the new hotel is built so as to co-ordinate as much as possible with the general scheme.

THE BABY CASE.

It was said this morning that evidence had been secured which would indicate the names of the parents of the baby found early this week in the school house at Reade. The matter was put up to Sergeant-Detective Power and Detective Bidalscombe and both said that they had not received information but they had not yet been able to confirm it. They anticipated, however, that the case might be cleared up in a day or two.

GIRL GUIDES HOLD TEA.

The attendance at a tea held under the auspices of the Girl Guides of St. John yesterday afternoon, at the Y. W. C. A. recreational centre, was excellent despite the bad weather. The exhibition of work which the girls had to do to win the various badges having in for a great deal of attention and most favorable comment. Mrs. M. McLarn, Mrs. E. A. Schindler and Mrs. William Allison officiated at the tea and the Guides acted as waitresses.

TO WELCOME MCGILL.

An option has been taken on Pythian Castle for the night of Jan. 20, 1924. The McGill basketball team with a view to tending the visiting colts a social welcome as well as a hearty greeting. The Trojans' management and associate friends, including numerous ex-McGill citizens of both sexes are interested in the new building and the coming struggle. The McGill players write enthusiastically of their approaching visit.

SEEKS INFORMATION.

A request has been received by H. E. Wardrop, common clerk, for information about Annie Nefel, who is said to have been born in St. John and to have married Walter Matthews of Philadelphia. A son, Charles H. Matthews, was born on Nov. 20, 1885, at Dover, N. H., and a year or two later his mother died. The boy was placed in a children's home and would like to get in touch with relatives. Any information about his mother or her family would be gratefully received. His address is 2 Quincy street, Worcester, Mass.

WARSHIPS WILL NOT COME HERE.

St. John will not be honored by a visit from the English fleet, according to a report which is now making a tour of world ports, according to advice received yesterday by H. E. Wardrop, president of the Navy League. A letter, dated December 2, 1923, from the Admiralty expresses the regret of that body that it is unable to include St. John in the itinerary of the squadron. This is in answer to a communication forwarded by the Navy League asking that the ships come to this port.

HYDRO MATTERS.

The New Brunswick Electric Power Commission will meet here on Tuesday next, it was stated at the office of the commission this morning. H. G. Acres, the engineer who has been checking up the report on Grand Falls, is to be present and discuss the matter with the commissioners. The Wolford line was working fine, it was said and 27 customers have been linked up with the line. Eight others have applied and will be connected up the first of the week. A total of 2,077 meters have been installed to date. It was reported at the office of the Civic Power Commission this morning.

PAYS TRIBUTE TO MRS. FERRIS.

Mrs. Blake Ferris had just finished singing "Spring is Coming" at the meeting at the Health Centre last night when Hon. H. A. McKewen was called upon to speak. He said he was sorry that he had been asked to speak so immediately afterward. "When the touch of a master plays on the strings of human emotion it is difficult to follow," he said. He spoke of how much the community was indebted to Mrs. Ferris as a gifted singer. Here was a natural endowment given to her, but her voice was indeed an asset of value to the community. If he could have chosen what gift he would most have liked to possess he would have chosen to have a singing voice, but that gift had not been bestowed upon him. The Chief Justice very cordially thanked Mrs. Ferris for her part in the programme of the evening.

SYMPATHY EXTENDED.

The sympathies of their friends is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Lillian A. McLaughlin, 881 Union street, whose thirteen-month-old baby, Clara, died this morning.

BURIED TODAY.

The funeral of Mrs. Archibald Dunham was held this morning from the Union Depot, on the arrival of the Sussex train. Service was conducted by Rev. G. M. MacDonald. Interment was in Cedar Hill. The funeral of Mrs. Margaret Bayley was held this afternoon from the residence of her son, William Bayley, Johnston street. Service was conducted by Rev. H. E. Thomas, assisted by Rev. George Orman. Interment was in Cedar Hill.

TO PROVIDE TWO RINKS.

Carlton Place, West Side, has been selected by Councillor Campbell and Commissioner Wigmore as the best place for a rink for the children of the west side and permission to flood a field there will be sought from the owner. When this has been obtained the area will be flooded by Commissioner Wigmore and Councillor Campbell will see after having the best kept rink in the city recently from Sydney. The rink for the Fairville children will be provided on the Ready reserve, through the efforts of Councillor O'Brien and the co-operation of Commissioner Wigmore.

FINED IN BAWDY HOUSE CASE.

Evelyn S. McAfee was found guilty in the police court this morning of being the keeper of a bawdy house and was fined \$100 and in default of payment was ordered to be sent to the Home of the Food Shepherd for a term of three months. Marion Munro and Catherine Munro, two sisters who came to this city recently from Sydney, were found guilty of being inmates and were fined \$50 or three months in jail. Rebecca Strawley, Herbert J. Fleming and G. Hamilton were freed on deposits of \$50, which were forfeited by Inspector Caplan and Detective Saunders testified. Sergeant Spinney and Policeman Chisholm also were in the police court. Three bottles of liquor were reported confiscated. It will be recalled that the two Munro girls mentioned were recently taken into custody on a charge of vagrancy and promised to leave the city.

EMPRESS WILL BE HERE TONIGHT

Brings 300 Passengers, a Heavy Cargo and Large Mail.

Word was received this afternoon that the Canadian Pacific steamship Empress of Britain would arrive in port this evening from Liverpool and also bring 300 passengers, a heavy cargo and large mail. The Empress is expected to arrive about 6 o'clock and as soon as she docks an excellent large general cargo, which is estimated at approximately 2,300 tons.

READY FOR NEXT WEEK'S CONGRESS

Life Underwriters of N. B. Have Good Programme Arranged.

The programme for the annual congress of the Life Underwriters Association of New Brunswick, which will be held in the Pythian Castle next Monday and Tuesday, was announced this morning as follows:

Monday Morning.

Chairman—M. L. McPhail. Registration—Martin Merritt. Singing—Led by Messrs. Girvan and Beaman.

Opening of congress.

Innovation by Robert Reid. Address—Hugh Chalm. "The Significance of the Recent Growth of Life Insurance."

Monday Afternoon.

Address—Hugh Cannon. "The Significance of the Recent Growth of Life Insurance."

Discussion—Led by Robt. Cruikshank.

"The Industrial Agent and His Work." J. W. McCarthy. Round table discussion on questions submitted. Ed. Morwick. Banquet Session, Evening.

Dinner served.

Singing—Led by Little Marjorie McPhail. Chairman's remarks.

Address of welcome—The Mayor, Mr. Fisher.

Address—"Place of Association in Field Work." Ed. Morwick. Singing.

Address—Rev. R. G. Fulton.

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Debate—"Resolved that an Appeal to Sentiment is of More Value than an Appeal to the Intellect in Selling Insurance."

Affirmative—J. J. Murray, Don Malcolm. Negative—F. O. Conlon, J. W. McCarthy.

"Do we Know Enough about our Prospects Requirements?"—A. Gordon Ramsay.

Address—Mr. Thibert, Fredericton. "Service to Policyholders as the Means of Securing New Business."

Discussion—Led by T. R. S. Smith.

Judges report—Led by Mr. Morwick. E. R. Maccham, Robt. Reid. Tuesday Morning.

Singing.

Address—F. M. Monahan. "Planning Your Work and Following Your Plan." Address—"The Agent and His Difficulties." Ed. Morwick. Discussion—J. W. V. Taylor. Demonstration of a sale—F. W. Girvin. Address—O. P. Boucher. General discussion. Adjourn.

ALMANAC FOR ST. JOHN, JAN. 12.

High Tide... 4.04 High Tide... 4.29 Low Tide... 10.17 Low Tide... 10.45 Sun Rise... 8.09 Sun Sets... 5.04

COMMITTEE OF 25 MEETS WEDNESDAY

Reports on Port Development and Administration will be Submitted.

The committee of 25 to consider the matter of port development and administration has been called to meet on Wednesday next week and the report of the two sub-committees will be presented at that meeting. This committee was appointed about a year ago to study these questions and make some recommendations as to the future policy in regard to the development and administration of the port. The matter was placed in the hands of two small sub-committees and they have given much time and thought to the problem. The citizens generally are waiting with interest their findings in the matter. It was intimated some days ago that the committee on development would recommend that expansion be sought under the terms of the tri-partite agreement.

PRICES EASIER A BIT IN MARKET

Country Produce in Better Supply—Turkey Sells at 45c. lb.

There was a more plentiful supply of country produce at the city market this morning and the prices generally were a little easier than they have been for the last two weeks. A few turkeys of good quality were selling at 45 cents a pound while others brought 40 to 45 cents and fowl, 35 to 40 cents. Creamery butter was plentiful and sold at 45 to 50 cents while good dairy butter was five cents cheaper. There was a decided drop in eggs, the fresh variety selling at 90 cents, while good storage brought 45 to 50 cents. Green vegetables were quoted as follows: Native celery, 10 cents; imported, 20 to 25 cents; heads, spinach, 30 cents a lb.; tomatoes, 40 cents, a lb.; sweet potatoes, 15 cents a pound; green peppers, 40 cents a pound. Potatoes were selling at 35 cents a peck. There was a very good supply of country beef and pork, the prices ruling about the same as last week.

UNION MEN GIVE NOTICE OF PAY INCREASE

Builders' Association Will Oppose \$1.12 1/2 an Hour for Bricklayers, etc.

It is officially announced in The Times today that on April 1, the bricklayers, masons and plasterers of the province will demand \$1.12 1/2 cents an hour wages, with overtime as well but according to the new rate. The present rate of pay is 90 cents an hour.

It was said today that strenuous opposition would be made by the members of the building trades in reply to decision of the Bricklayers, Masons and Plasterers' Union. One member of the trade said that the builders had anticipated the coming year as a good one in the matter of construction in the city, but if the intention of the men was put into effect it would have a tendency to retard building activity. He added that it was the intention of the trade to fight the issue and the matter would receive attention at the next meeting of the Builders' Association.

ENJOYED STORIES ABOUT CHINA.

The children at the Free Public Library were entertained this morning by Miss Ethel Wigmore who told them stories of China. A vivid description of the Chinese New Year and Feast of Lanterns and a number of Chinese wonder stories held the attention of the children until the close of the school. Fifty-seven children were present.

As Hiram Sees It

"Hiram" said The Times reporter to Mr. Hiram Hornbeam, "why do people persist in agitating for things? Why don't they mind their own business? Why don't all these men and women who organize and ask for this and that go in for a good time and stop their continual efforts to get something done that would help somebody? A dance or a bridge with trimmings, would be much more enjoyable—why bother about other people's troubles or the spread of disease or crime or anything like that?" "That's the 'eat, drink and be merry for tomorrow we die' plan of salvation," said Hiram. "It ain't no good. If the world followed your plan it 'ud be a waste howlin' wilderness in about one generation. You want to thank the good Lord for them that standin' on the watch-towers tellin' what's comin' an' warnin' the people to get ready. If there's one thing I don't want to be it's one of them there critics that thinks the world's garden for them to pick plums in. They don't know they're missin' the best they is in life—an' the worst of it is they won't listen to no old fellows that's been over the road an' knows where a man or a woman kin find what's best. No, sir—lots of 'em won't—'it's too bad.'"

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