

FIRE INQUIRY SHALL GOES ON

Marshal McLellan Will Resume Hearing in Matter Tonight

Busy Today on Reports Current—Status of Projection Booth in Theatre.

H. H. McLellan, provincial fire marshal, was busy today running down rumors and reports in connection with his investigation into the recent disastrous fire at the City Hall, West Saint John. The inquiry will be resumed this evening at 7.30 o'clock. There was no session today.

The investigation yesterday disclosed that the booth in the Empress Theatre located in the building was not of standard fireproof construction, but was of ordinary one and a half inch iron plate under side, which was of the floor on standard, and was covered with tin on the inside only.

A new machine had been installed and a projection hole cut through the wall of plaster and lath for this purpose, the opening being left unprotected from fire.

METAL LINED.
The booth was of very cheap construction and was well below standard, the fire marshal said. The regulations require that theatre projection rooms should be covered with two plies of asbestos and with one ply of sheet metal, Factory Inspector Kenney said.

Louis McCourt, the operator, said yesterday that he had been in error when he informed newspaper men the booth was of concrete. He added that, to his knowledge, the booth was of wood covered with metal. He did not know whether or not there was any asbestos covering.

Besides Mr. Thorne, Inspector Kenney and Mr. McCourt, the witnesses heard were Harold Olsen, manager of the theatre; Charles Clark, deputy chief of the fire department; the chief operator of the Imperial Theatre staff and two of the assistants at the Empress.

It was brought out in the evidence that the machine was still running 15 minutes after the firemen reached the burning building.

ST. PAUL'S GIRL GUIDES WIN TROPHY

Lead in Competition Today on Barrick Square—Stone Church Troop Second.

St. Paul's church troop of Girl Guides won a trophy donated by Mrs. William S. Allison for sports on the Barrick Green this morning at a meet held under the direction of Mrs. Arthur Anglin and Mrs. A. Gibson with 10 troops competing. This was the fourth annual affair of the kind and was highly successful, as 100 girls competed. All brought their lunches and ate in the Armory, where hot cocoa was dispensed. This afternoon the Froedrichs troop, donated by Mrs. Murray MacLaren, will be up for competition, Miss Dorothy Purdy, district commissioner, having charge.

KEEN CONTESTS.
All the events this morning were keenly contested and aroused enthusiasm amongst the members. Each troop was allowed two entrants in each event. St. Paul's troop, whose patrol leader is Miss Kathleen Woodley, took second in the running broad, the standing broad, the patrol leaders' race, and the relay and third in the senior race, giving them a total of 9 points. Stone church troop was second with 5 points and Trinity church troop third with 3 points. Miss Irene Barber is the first officer in charge of the winning troop. Miss Helen Cahill was the chief point scorer for the winning team. Last year Rothsay won the cup.

HOLLANDER WELL PLEASED WITH N. B.

Writes Appreciation to Chief Game Warden—Got Big Moose on Trip.

Special to The Times-Star.—FREDERICKTON, Oct. 17.—Chief Game Warden L. Gagnon is in receipt of a letter from C. J. Vanleek, Jr., expressing delight with the excellent sport which he had on the occasion of the first visit to the big game hunting country of New Brunswick. Mr. Vanleek is a Hollander, the first sportsman from that country to come to New Brunswick in many years. He is largely interested in cotton manufacturing in his native land and the success of his hunting trip is expected to induce a number of other wealthy Hollanders to come to New Brunswick after game in other seasons.

GOT BIG MOOSE.
Mr. Vanleek hunted in the territory of Guide Arthur Pringle, two days traveling from Newcastle. John Jarvis was his particular guide and the hunter succeeded in getting a huge bull moose with horns of sixty-one and three quarters inch spread, the best head reported in the province this autumn.

Gems Worth \$3,000
In Bag at Laundry
WEST NEW YORK, N. J., Oct. 17.—Laundry owners who have been held responsible for the loss of numerous dollar and cent buttons are point in defence to Miss Catherine Banks, a laundry worker, who was substantially rewarded by Mrs. J. Irving for voluntarily returning \$3,000 worth of jewelry which Mrs. Irving had carelessly sent to the laundry in a pillow case.

STERLING EXCHANGE
NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—Sterling exchange steady. Great Britain 46 3/4; France, 44 1/2; Italy, 40 1/2; Belgium, 45 1/2; Germany, 23 1/2. Canadian dollar, 1/2 and 1/4 per cent premium.

Wembley Affairs In Hands of Receivers

Canadian Press.
LONDON, Oct. 17.—The affairs of the British Empire Exhibition at Wembley, are to be placed in the hands of liquidators. This decision was arrived at today by the exhibition authorities.

CARLETON TOWER LODGE HAS SESSION

Sussex Lodge is to Pay Visit—Vacant Office is Filled.

Carleton Tower Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of West Saint John, opened its meetings last evening with a social event in the hall in Guilford street. B. B. Brittain presided. Addresses were given by J. A. Mowry, grand chancellor; G. Henderson, vice-chancellor, and E. F. Fullerton, prelate. Mr. Mowry told of his official visit to the Nova Scotia lodges, where he spoke on conditions of the Maritime. He presented his ideas on the subject in his address last evening. Mr. Fullerton told of a visit to Sussex Lodge, and announced that the Sussex Lodge would visit the Carleton Tower Lodge on Nov. 4.

As the resignation of R. G. Smith, official of the committee, had to be removed to the United States to reside, M. Johnston, past chancellor, was elected in his place.

The entertainment committee reported completed plans for a series of social events to be held in their hall in West Saint John during the fall and winter season.

At the close of the session, a clam bake was served to the members and visitors from three city lodges by the officers of the entertaining lodge. B. Edwards and P. Adams were in charge. Preston McLean presided at the piano for a sing-song.

HYDRO BOARD ENDS ITS FIRST SESSION

Time Spent Getting Familiar With Situation—Next Meeting Will be Nov. 2.

The first meeting of the recently appointed New Brunswick Electric Power Commission adjourned at 2.30 this afternoon after three sessions held yesterday and today. After the meeting the chairman, Hon. E. A. Reilly, K. C., said that the commission had been dealing with the matter of the time spent, he said, in familiarizing themselves with the work of the commission in connection with both the Musquash and Grand Falls developments.

The next meeting of the Commission will be held on November 2. Then, among other matters to be taken up, will be the contract between the commission and the Nashwaak Pulp and Paper Company for supply of current to the pulp mill, Fairville.

117 ARE ARRESTED

Big Communist Organization is Disclosed by Police in Vilna, Poland.

WARSAW, Poland, Oct. 17.—The police have uncovered a vast Communist organization in Vilna, which, they allege, is affiliated with a similar organization in Warsaw and Soviet cities in Minsk. In Vilna and vicinity 117 persons have been arrested and quantities of Communist literature, posters and other papers of a communist nature. The police are continuing to search and making arrests, but they intimate that persons against whom no charges have been found, will be promptly released.

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BIRTHS

DOYLE—At 80 Winslow street, West Saint John, on Oct. 17, 1925, to Mr. and Mrs. John J. Doyle, a daughter.

DEATHS

TRAFFON—At his residence, Prospect street, Fairville, Oct. 15, 1925, after a long illness, Leonard Traffon, leaving his wife, three sisters and one brother as mourners.
Funeral at 2.30 o'clock Sunday at Cedar Hill. Service at house at 3 o'clock.

IN MEMORIAM

CUNNINGHAM—In loving memory of Mr. Raymond Cunningham, only son of Edward and Carrie Cunningham, who passed away Oct. 17, 1913.
FATHER, MOTHER AND SISTER MYRTLE.

HERSEY—In loving remembrance of our dear one, Wm. Walter Hersey, who departed this life Oct. 17, 1922.
ADAMS—In loving memory of David Adams, who died Oct. 17, 1922.
Three years have passed since that sad day when one we loved was called away. God took him home, it was His will. Forget him? No, we never will.
WIFE AND DAUGHTERS.

FUNERAL NOTICE

Members of No. 70, L. O. L., Fairville, are requested to meet at Orange Hall, Fairville, Sunday afternoon at 1.45 to attend the funeral of our late brother, LEONARD TRAFFON.
Members of sister lodges invited, in regularity.
By order of the Worshipful Master, WM. GOLDING.

Local News

TWO TODAY
Two men charged with drunkenness were fined the usual \$8 each this morning in the Police Court.

ASSISTED AT CONCERT.
Miss Pearl McLean was one of the accompanists at the concert given in the Ladbroke street Baptist church, West Saint John, last evening and referred to elsewhere. Her name was inadvertently omitted from the report.

ROSSLEY KIDDIES

Mrs. Jack Rossley, Charlotte street, returned from Montreal today. She was in the Upper Canadian centre in connection with matters pertaining to the Rossley Kiddies.

BOYS AND GIRLS EQUAL

The records at the office of the deputy registrar of vital statistics show 34 births in this city for the week with the number equally divided between boys and girls, with 17 each. Fifteen marriages were also recorded.

IS WELL AGAIN

Frank T. Lewis of William Lewis & Son, South End, and secretary of the local Conservative executive returned from Providence, R. I. at noon. Mr. Lewis has been suffering from a recent illness and returns home quite well again.

CADETS HAVE FOX HUNT.

A fox hunt was started this afternoon by the Saint John cadets. The foxes started from St. Peter's church, and the hounds from King Square. The run was the preliminary for a delicious dinner being provided for the boys at the Admiral Beatty Hotel this evening.

BUSY ORGANIZER

A. D. Holyoke, organizer of the Conservative party in New Brunswick, passed through the city to Kent county. Mr. Holyoke says that with a provincial and a dominion election in such close proximity to one another he has had no let-up for a long while.

BOYS STILL HERE

The three boys connected with the accidental shooting of H. M. Garson on Thursday on the St. Stephen road are still awaiting the arrival of the father of one of the boys to take them to their home in Brookline, Mass.

FORMER BIKE CHAMP.

Eddie Bauld, former world's champion bicyclist—particularly in continental races—passed through the city today to hunt moose back in New Glasgow, N. S. He says he has been delayed because of the championship bicycle race which he could not miss. Mr. Bauld is now over fifty years old and is an automobile dealer in Cleveland.

PREMIER RETURNS.

Premier Baxter has returned from Ottawa where he represented the city in the appeal being taken by the city in the case of Donald vs. the City of Saint John. Judgment was reserved. Dr. Baxter will speak at Amherst next Thursday evening in the interests of Robert K. Smith, Conservative candidate for Cumberland county.

CHIMNEYS TORN DOWN.

Commissioner Harding had the six chimneys in the Carleton City Hall torn down today as they were considered dangerous. One big aerial ladder truck was taken over from the East Side, and the long ladder used in getting ropes around the chimneys. The commissioner said he considered this truck one of the most useful pieces of apparatus owned by the city.

CAR AND AUTO CLASH

An automobile driven by A. C. Thompson and street car No. 88 collided in Prince William street between Church and Princess streets yesterday afternoon about 4.30 o'clock. The front mudguard of the machine was badly dented. The street car was not damaged.

REPORT ON BUILDING

The police reported yesterday that the building of G. Hevenor and Co. at the corner of Smythe and Nelson streets was in a dangerous condition and that bricks were falling out on the Smythe street side. The matter will be reported to the building inspector or Commissioner of Public Safety.

FUNERAL IN WALKERVILLE.

Sympathy is being extended to Mrs. E. T. Sturdee, Mrs. Charles Macdonald, Mrs. J. Sidney Kaye and R. Bruce Scott in the death of their son, Mr. C. W. Hoare, of Walkerville, Ont. The funeral is being held today at Walkerville. The members of the family here did not go, as the distance made it impossible for them to arrive in time for the funeral.

HERE ON HONEYMOON

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Markandinos arrived here last evening from Glace Bay where they were married on last Sunday. Mrs. Markandinos was formerly Miss Sophie Aristidou of this city. They are to be guests of the bride's sisters, Mrs. George Pittson, wife of the proprietor of Venus Sweets, King street, and Mrs. Philip Marcus.

Boston Priest Is Called to Rome

BOSTON, Oct. 17.—Rev. Francis J. Spellman, D. D., one of the staff of the Cathedral of the Holy Cross and for seven years director of Catholic literature for the archdiocese, has been called to the Vatican by Pope pius XII and assigned for duty in the office of the Papal Secretary of State, Cardinal Pietro Gasparri.
It is the first time in the history of the Vatican that an American has been called to a position in the office of the Papal Secretary of State.

MRS. JAS. BRITTAIN 93 YEARS OLD TODAY

Many Congratulate Her on Event—First Woman Teacher in West Saint John.

Mrs. James Brittain of 105 Duke street, West Saint John, is celebrating her 93rd birthday today. Mrs. Brittain is noted as the first woman teacher in West Saint John, beginning her work in 1872, when the schools were first organized there. She is also a member of the First Presbyterian church and sang in the choir 63 years ago.

She is the recipient of many gifts, and she resigned some years ago from the First Church, "The Kirk," sent a lovely bouquet of chrysanthemums. Mrs. Brittain, besides her education, has been also for some years an active member of the Local Council of Women and was on the board of the Associated Charities. When she resigned some years ago, she was the recipient of many gifts.

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NORTH END MAN IS BADLY INJURED

Samuel Brookins Has Both Legs Injured in West Saint John Mishap.

Samuel Brookins, 47 Moore street, was taken to the General Public Hospital about noon today, suffering from injuries received when a quantity of lumber fell on him while working on the West side today. It was reported that for 20 years political leader and while working around a box car, the ambulance was hastily called and he was conveyed to the hospital. It is feared one of his legs is broken and the other badly crushed.

"HONEST COP" GETS 4 MONTHS IN JAIL

Westbrook Caught in Bribery Case Over Favors to Beer Barons.

CHICAGO, Oct. 17.—The law he has spent more time in the upholding turned on the "Honest Cop," Wesley H. Westbrook, when Federal Judge Wilkerson sentenced him to four months in jail for contempt of court for accepting bribes from and favoring Terry Druggan and Frank Lake, rich young beer barons. Peter M. Hoffman, sheriff of Cook county (Chicago) and for 20 years political leader and office holder also felt the legal boom-crang with jail sentence of 30 days and fine of \$250.

Of a dozen men brought into the contempt hearing only one escaped punishment, Arthur Pendi, former jail guard who accepted \$1000 after he had escorted Lake to Lake's sister's funeral.

One new figure was brought into the list of those facing the court's wrath. Dr. Franklin R. Percival, in whose office the bribery case was being conducted, was sentenced to serve for contempt of court in operating a brewery Judge Wilkerson had ordered paid.

Dr. Percival was held to the federal grand jury in \$30,000 bail.

FOR GRAND JURY

Hoffman Westbrook, Druggan, Lake, Henry Forst, formerly Westbrook's secretary and confessed collector of bribes and H. Thompson and James Fitzgerald, former assistant jail warden, also were ordered held to the federal grand jury in \$30,000 bail for violating four sections of the federal law.

Druggan, Lake and Forst testified to payments of thousands of dollars in bribes for removal from cells to hospital wards, all day and overnight absences, and various other favors denied other prisoners. Forst admitted he retained several thousand dollars, and Westbrook also was accused of having fixed \$2,000 a month, divided into \$1,000 payment on the first and sixteenth of months as the amount necessary for "consideration" of Druggan and Lake.

ENTERTAINED CLASSMATES

Miss Geraldine McGowan was hostess on Friday evening at the home of her cousin, Mrs. Frank T. Doherty, 111 Metcal street, to her schoolmates, the girls of Grade 10 of St. Vincent's High School. The present were Mary Fitzgerald, Emma Heustis, Helen Twichell, Jean Burns, Mary O'Connor, Margaret Farren, Ethel Kierstead, Marian Sullivan, Marie Saltrio, Margaret Murphy, Hilda Connors, Bernadette Lunney, Alice "Peggy" Wilson, Catherine Barsdale and Elizabeth Farren. The evening was pleasantly enjoyed with music selections by Miss Mary Roderick, Hilda Connors and Ethel Kierstead, and card games and singing. Dainty refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by her sister, Miss Mary McGowan, Miss Mabel McKay and Mrs. Frank Doherty.

TO TAKE N. S. APPLES

NEW YORK, Oct. 17.—A shipment of 1,000 barrels of Nova Scotia apples is to be taken to Southampton by the Royal Mail liner Orduna, it is announced. The Orduna left New York for the English port this morning, and will call at Halifax.

SAILING DATES FOR MONTH ANNOUNCED

Anchor-Donaldson Line Vessels Includes Former Cassandra, Now S. S. Carmia.

The Anchor-Donaldson Line sailing dates from the port of Saint John for December have now been received from head office by the Robert Reford Co. Ltd. here. The dates follow: Kastalia on Dec. 4; Gracie on Dec. 8; Carmia on Dec. 15; Parthenia on Dec. 24; and Moveria on Dec. 29.

The third steamer, the Carmia, coming here as a freighter although she was well known to citizens while in the passenger service. This vessel was formerly the Cassandra and after many years service has been converted into a freighter. The vessel is equipped to carry 800 head of cattle in addition to the usual cargo space.

Funerals

Miss Charlotte W. McLean.
The funeral of Miss Charlotte W. McLean, who died in Devon, was held this afternoon from St. Paul's (Valley) church, with service conducted by the Reverend Archdeacon A. H. Crowfoot. Interment took place in Fernhill. The body was brought in from Fredericton on the noon train.

Mrs. Olivia Armstrong.
The funeral of Mrs. Olivia Armstrong, widow of Joseph Armstrong, was held this afternoon from the residence of her son, William D. Armstrong, 168 King street, West Saint John, with service conducted by Rev. R. Moorhead Legate of Knox church. Interment took place in Cedar Hill.

Aubrey Claire Gould.
The funeral of Aubrey Claire Gould, young son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard D. Gould, Kennedy street, was held this afternoon from the residence of his parents to Holy Cross cemetery.

Miss Bertha Eagles.
The funeral of Miss Bertha Eagles was held from the undertaking rooms of W. R. Freeman, Prince street, West Saint John, this afternoon. Service was conducted by Rev. W. A. Robbins. Interment took place in Cedar Hill.

Malcolm McGrath.
The funeral of Malcolm McGrath, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McGrath, 75 Hilyard street, was held this afternoon from his parents' residence, with service conducted by Rev. Father Turney, S.S.J.E., of Boston, who is supplying for Rev. J. V. Young, priest in charge of St. John Baptist Mission Church. Interment took place in Cedar Hill.

Conservatives Propose Unrestricted Immigration

Would Flood Cities and Towns With Foreigners

Workers, women and men. You are invited to attend a mass meeting scheduled to take place at Pythian Castle on Monday night, next, at 8 o'clock. Organized Labor, as well as workers in general, are urged to come. Matters of vital importance to the welfare of the wage earner will be discussed.

Hon. Dr. W. E. Foster, Secretary of State, and R. T. Hayes, have accepted invitations to speak.

DEATHS NUMBER 24

The death rate was high this week in the city according to the records at the Board of Health office, the total being 24. The causes were: Myocarditis, four; infantile, three; premature birth, three; senility, two; heart disease, two; bronchitis, malnutrition, septicemia, enterocolitis, lobar pneumonia, peritonitis, cerebral haemorrhage, cerebral meningitis, rheumatoid arthritis and pulmonary tuberculosis, one each.

TWO PRESENTATIONS.

Allison Graves and William Cave, who will leave this evening for Boston on the Governor Dingley, were made recipients of nicely engraved cigarette cases at a meeting of the Little River Community Club last evening. The young men have been active members of the club and much regret was expressed at their departure. A social hour was much enjoyed by the members of the club following a business meeting.

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PERSONALS

Rev. H. Ramage, curate of the Church of the Assumption, West Saint John, has gone on a three weeks' vacation to New York. During his absence Rev. R. McGillivray, of the Cathedral, will assist Father Ryan.

Mrs. Percy Turcot, Mount Pleasant, arrived home with her children from Quebec today.

J. F. Teed came in from Montreal on today's express.

Raydon Foley, who has been on a business trip to the automobile centre of America, returned today.

Mrs. James Jones and daughter have returned home after an American trip.

Mr. and Mrs. John Griffith, of North End, are home after a vacation trip to New England. Mr. Griffith is of the C. P. R. telegraph clerical staff.

Mrs. Eliza Fairley, of Boletown, N. B., who had been visiting relatives in Boston, arrived in the city at noon and will be the guest of her daughter, Mrs. George W. Currie, 480 Douglas avenue.

James Jones and daughter have returned home after an American trip.

Friends of James Mulhern will regret to hear that he is seriously ill at his home on Exmouth street.

Willard Wilson, of Halifax, expects to leave here this evening on the Governor Dingley to visit his brothers in Boston.

Deaths

John Howie
John Howie died yesterday at the home of William Broadland, Fredericton. He is survived by four daughters, Mrs. Fred McDonald of Pasadena, Cal., Mrs. Otis Kelly of McLean, Sask., Mrs. Joseph King of Detroit and Miss Margaret of Fredericton; also three sons, Gilbert of Newport, R. I., Charles and Walter of Fredericton.

John K. Rosborough
John K. Rosborough died at his home in North Devon yesterday, aged fifty years. He is survived by his wife, his mother, Mary J. Rosborough of Westchester, N. Y., his sisters Emma Rosborough of South Portland, and Mrs. Carlisle F. Foss of South Portland, and two brothers, Murray and Alexander of West Weston, Maine.

GRAND FALLS WORK.

A. C. D. Blanchard, hydraulic engineer of the New Brunswick Electric Power Commission, will leave tomorrow for Grand Falls on an inspection trip. Mr. Blanchard said the spur railway line to the site of the proposed development from the C. P. R. main line was about half completed. This line, about one and a half miles long, is being built by the E. F. Powers Construction Co.

CHARLES G. D. ROBERTS REGICAL.

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