

Local and General

Brandon Basket Ball team defeated Regina on Friday evening by 27 to 21.

Wm. Saunders, of the Henderson Directory Co. places Regina's population at 15,000.

Rev. R. S. Laidlaw, of Brandon, conducted the anniversary services in Knox Church on Sunday.

The total expenditure on buildings and public improvements in Regina for 1909 will amount to four millions.

Dr. Shaw, Grand Secretary of the A.F. & A.M., attended a Masonic Lodge of Instruction at Heward on Friday.

Cameron and Heap have purchased a site for their wholesale warehouse in Weyburn. Building will commence at once.

W. B. Lanigan and F. W. Peters, of the C.P.R., were in Regina on Saturday and conferred with the Board of Trade in reference to the Cartage Company. No arrangements were made.

Twenty-one candidates, nine males and twelve females, were confirmed by the Bishop of Qu'Appelle at St. Paul's Church yesterday morning 12 Paul's Church Sunday morning and two at St. Chad's in the evening. Large congregations attended both services.

Sir John L. Langman writing to Magistrate Trant says: "I have received with much regret the news of the death of Inspector Church of whom I formed a very high opinion. I sympathize very much with the work of the Children's Aid Society in which he was so interested and have pleasure in enclosing a cheque for ten pounds towards it, wishing it every success."

The annual conference of the inspectors of public schools was held in the city on Friday and Saturday. The following members of the inspectorate are in the city: Messrs. J. Duff, Regina; A. Kennedy, Weyburn; C. Nivine, Osbow; J. P. Hutchison, Prince Albert; H. H. Smith, Saskatchewan; J. Hewgill, Moosomin; F. J. A. Branton, Wolseley; J. V. Kelly, Humboldt; A. H. Ball, Yorkton; H. M. Barret, Moose Jaw.

Grenfell has reported that T. D. A. Anderson and J. Van Sickle will be the debaters from that point in the final Saskatchewan League debate in the Auditorium of the Collegiate on Monday, the 28th inst. They will hold up the negative of a resolution in favor of International arbitration, and are said to be capital speakers. The affirmative will be taken by the Regina team, Art. Smith and Emery Young.

W. McBain, who has been instrumental in the organization of the Security Loan Co., of this city, has sold his entire interests to the other members of the firm, Messrs. Tasker, Brockman, Johnson and Clark, and in the future will devote his entire time to the interests of the Canadian Northern Land Co. Mr. Tasker will manage the Security Co., and Mr. McBain, in addition to the Regina office, will establish a branch in Saskatoon and probably other leading centres in the province.

S. Clarke, secretary of the Y. M. C. A., left Saturday for points on the Soo Line where he will deliver several discourses in connection with the work of the association. On Sunday afternoon he was billed to address a meeting of men in Hunt's Hall, Weyburn, taking for his subject, "The Y.M.C.A., Its Origin and Its Achievements." There are prospects of a Y.M.C.A. being organized in that town in the near future and Mr. Clarke's lecture is supposed to give people a general idea of the usefulness of the organization.

The librarian of the public library complains that some persons or persons have been mutilating the magazines in the Ladies reading room. He intimates that anyone found doing this will have to give an account of their action to the police magistrate. Ladies using the reading room are requested to give notice to the library staff of any irregularity of this sort which may come to their notice; as should there be a continuance of this vandalism it may be found necessary to close this room altogether.

B. F. Ackerman & Sons, of Peterborough, Ont., have instructed Storey & Van Egmond, architects, to prepare the plans for their new building, the erection of which is proposed during the coming summer, on Dewdney St. between Cornwall and Scarth streets. The building will be 50 feet by 100, four stories and considerably larger than was first intended, which means that Regina will be used as a head office for the province, if not for the entire west. Provision is being made in the plans of the building for a manufacturing department.

E. B. Hutcherson, superintendent of the Regina Public School, announces that on April 1st a new Primary Class will be formed in each of the public schools and new kindergarten classes in the Victoria and the Albert. Parents are requested to send their children promptly on that date in order that all may commence work together. No other beginners work will be formed until after the summer holidays. Names can be sent to the principals directly after Easter Monday, who will also receive new pupils on the first of April.

The annual meeting of the Regina Golf Club was held in the secretary's office on Friday, when all the old officers were re-elected, with the exception of two of the committee who have left the city, and whose places were filled by other members. The officers are: President, A. F. Angus; vice-president, Joseph Campbell; honorary secretary-treasurer, J. Kelso Hunter; general committee, the president, vice-president, secretary and Messrs. James Balfour, W. S. Grey, J. H. H. Young, B. B. Carter and W. V. G. Bishop.

W. Dow, formerly of Regina, and recently released from Brandon Asylum by order of the Attorney General's department at Regina, was taken into custody in Moosomin on Saturday and is awaiting orders from the department. Dr. Dow purchased two revolvers on landing here and acted in such a strange manner that several of the citizens became alarmed and his arrest was ordered. A search of his room at the Queen's Hotel where he was staying, disclosed two boxes of cartridges and two boxes of antiseptic tablets. The revolvers, which he stated had been secured for the purpose of shooting gophers, were taken from him with some difficulty.

MacLeod, Alta., March 20 — Colin Genge, M.P.P. is reported very ill at Edmonton, where he had gone, contrary to the order of his attending doctors. Feeling that it was his duty to represent his constituency in the crisis, he took his life in his hands and braved the emergency. MacLeod will support him if he opposes the government, but no supporter of the government can ever be elected here again.

Logging Over Prince Albert, Sask., March 20 — Logging operations in the northern woods are completed for this year, the season breaking up the earliest in the history of the lumber industry in this province. Last year the season ended shortly after April 1, and in previous years it was generally about the middle of April. The winter has been very mild, and only a few cold days were experienced in the year. The city is thronged with lumber jacks today, several hundred coming in yesterday.

Bank of Commerce What will be the finest bank building in Western Canada, with the exception of the Bank of Montreal and the Bank of Commerce now being built in Winnipeg, is to be built in Regina.

The Bank of Commerce have decided that Regina is to have the second best of their branches, and with this object in view arrangements are being made to carry out a somewhat novel plan. The front of the present building in Winnipeg is to be torn down and removed here to be re-erected on the property recently purchased by them upon which at present stands the Owl Cafe. The front of this Winnipeg branch has for several years been an object of admiration owing to the striking and chaste beauty of its architecture and construction. Four stories in height, eight massive Corinthian pillars rise from the base of the structure, topped by finely executed markings, supporting a massive cornice in tasteful style. Inside the portico of the pillars unornamented windows are set, while the top of the first cornice is set off in semi-Victorian gothic style. In every way the building will be the most handsome in the province and well worthy of the capital city and of the position of head office of the Bank in Saskatchewan.

St. Patrick's Day The Irishmen of Regina celebrated the anniversary of their patron saint on Wednesday evening by a splendid banquet in the Federal Business College. The room was beautifully decorated and a splendid evening was spent with the Sons of St. Patrick. The speeches were witty and intellectual and the result was one of the most successful events of the season. The toast list was lengthy but to the point and the speeches were of a very high order. Miss Bessie Munns ably presided at the piano throughout the evening's entertainment.

The following was the toast list as rendered: "The King"—God Save the King. "The Day We Celebrate"—Proposed by John McCarthy; responded to by Rev. E. A. Henry and Gerald Wilmoughby.

"The Clergy"—Proposed by A. J. McAvoy and responded to by Rev. G. Harmon Jones. Song—Selected, C. A. Grubb. "Regina and the Greater Regina Club"—Proposed by H. W. Laird; responded to by Mayor Williams and W. F. Kerr.

"Our Legislature"—Proposed by J. J. Smith, responded to by Hon. J. A. Calder and F. C. Tate, M.L.A. Song—Selected, Mr. Fowler. "The Empire"—Proposed by G. S. Houston; responded to by Chief Justice Wetmore. "Army and Navy"—Proposed by J. E. Wheelan; responded to by Commissioner Perry. Song—Selected, C. A. Grubb. "Sister Societies"—Proposed by J. E. Wheelan; responded to by A. E. Chivers. "The Press"—Proposed by W. J. Leahy and responded to by R. J. West, gate. "The Ladies"—Proposed by E. Sample and responded to by C. A. Grubb.

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