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HUNDREDS WILL DANCE AS 1925 BIDS FAREWELL

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2,000 EXPECTED

Preparation for Spectacular Farewell to 1925—Welcome to 1926.

Close to 2000 Saint John people will observe the passing of 1925 and the advent of the new year at the annual military ball, Beatty function and Dokays' event, which will be held at the Municipal Home for 8 months, by Magistrate Henderson this morning.

700 FOR MILITARY BALL
The military ball under the auspices of the Saint John Fusiliers, Lieut. Col. George Keefe, will be attended by between 600 and 700 people. The Armory is wonderfully bequeathed for the evening being festooned with bunting, green, national emblems of all kinds, and at the upper end of the spacious floor there is a representation of a trench with parapet, and this is to be given realistic effect by the presence of soldiers. The supper room in the club house, the Armory is also nicely decorated for tonight and the menu of dainties will be extensive.

Bandmaster Milton Perkins has a long list of the popular dance airs well rehearsed, and his efficient musicians will discuss a list of between 20 and 25 dances. The guests at the military affair tonight will be received by Col. Keefe and Mrs. Keefe, and Major John Gale and Mrs. Gale.

500 AT ADMIRAL BEATTY
At the Admiral Beatty Hotel the dinner to be served in connection with the midnight dance begins at 11 o'clock. It will be served in the Georgian ball-room upstairs, the grand dining room on the ground floor, and in the foyer on the second floor. Close to 100 tables have been reserved and it is anticipated there will be some 500 diners.

The menu is as follows:
Fruit Basket—Fantastique.
Celery. Salted Almonds. Olives.
Essence of Tomato.
Breast of Chicken—Virginia.
Fresh Mushrooms.
Mashed Potatoes—Bottom of Artichoke.
Salad—Independence.
Souffle Glace—la Rochefort.
Demi-Tasse.

Dancing will be incidental to the dining, and will take place on the floors of the ball-room, the ground floor registry lobby of the hotel facing the main entrance. During the evening the Rousley Kiddies will perform and favors will be distributed. There will be two orchestras, under the general direction of Bruce E. Holder. The hotel is still resplendent in its Yuletide trimmings—green, red ribbons, wreaths, silver and gold. It is a lower of beauty, and with the formal dress of tonight's large party should reach its highest point of brilliance and activity to date. A very beautiful menu will be distributed as a souvenir of the occasion. All the cloak and check-rooms will be on the third floor.

DOKAYS HOLD FETE

In Pythian Castle the drill team of Adla Temple, No. 157, Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan—the playground of Pythianism—will again be hosts to a party of friends and friends of both sexes which bids fair to reach the 400 figure. It is the Dokays' annual New Year's fete, and they are well supplied with surprise refreshments for the myriads of good-natured bargees. Jones' Venetian Gardens orchestra will play. Supper will be served after the midnight ceremony, which takes the form of an Auld Lang Syne circle, etc. Bridge will be played at the castle during the evening as well, with a nice prize list.

POWER BOAT CLUB

The Saint John Power Boat Club members will have a reunion tonight, and also will be at home throughout New Year's Day at the club house, Marble Cove. Tonight there will be a smoker, refreshments and a program to farewell 1925 and bid welcome to the new year.

SPECIAL LATE CARS

Superintendent of Street Car Service Hazen McLean said this morning that special arrangements have been made for transporting the late dancers. Cars will leave the head of King street for West Saint John at 12:05, 12:15 and 12:30. Other cars will leave Rodney street, West End, at the same periods. Two special cars to accommodate the military ball party are to be on hand at the corner of Carnarvon and Britain streets at 1:30 a. m. One is to serve the Haymarket Square section and the other the West Saint John quota.

BAND CONCERT

St. Mary's Band will adhere to its custom of many years and will give a concert program in Haymarket square commencing at 11:45.
In many of the churches of the city watch night services will be held and there will also be a special watch night service in the Y. M. C. A., which will follow a full program of social and athletic events in the association building.

GENEROUS GIFTS

Miss S. Murphy, manager of the newsstand at the depot and Harry Talbot, manager of the depot restaurant, were both recipients of \$100 checks as a holiday gift from their employers, the Canada Railway News Co., with headquarters in Montreal. They were also presented with policies for \$1,000 life insurance as managers.

Street Cars After Ball

IT WAS announced this morning that a special late street car service had been arranged to take passengers from the armories after the New Year's Eve ball of the Saint John Fusiliers after midnight tonight.

Two cars will leave the armories at 1:30 o'clock. One will go via Prince William street and Douglas avenue to West Saint John, and the other will go down King and around the Haymarket Square loop.

ALMANAC FOR SAINT JOHN, DEC. 31.

High Tide... 0:18 High Tide... 12:32
Low Tide... 6:18 Low Tide... 6:58
Sun Rises... 8:02 Sun Sets... 4:51

Local News

PAY DAY.

Today was the last civic pay day for 1925 and the sum of \$9,225.57 was paid out as follows: Public works, \$4,800.41; harbor, \$1,467.65; \$468.35; water and sewerage, \$2,350.36.

IS FINED \$200

John McGoldrick, proprietor of a beer-shop in Prince William street, was fined \$200 this morning on a charge of having liquor in other than his private dwelling.

TO MUNICIPAL HOME

Harry Towns, charged with being a vagrant without visible means of support, was sent to the Municipal Home for 3 months, by Magistrate Henderson this morning.

CATTLE ARRIVE

A cattle train of 23 cars arrived this morning via the C. P. R. from Montreal for the steamer Manchester Commerce at Halifax. The cattle were watered and fed this morning at the west side and will leave late this afternoon over the C. N. R. for Halifax.

SHOULDER DISLOCATED

Hamilton Patterson, of The Times-Star composing room staff, while skating in the Victoria rink last night, fell and dislocated his shoulder. He was taken to the General Public Hospital for treatment and then went home.

GOOD ENTERTAINERS

The concert party of the liner Montrose known as the "Montrose Follies" staged a musical comedy last evening in the Seamen's Institute. A special five piece string orchestra added considerably to the excellence of the program. The affair was largely attended. Tonight the Montrose Social and Athletic Club are staging a novelty dance in the institute.

INFORMATION WANTED

Chief of Police Smith has received a letter from J. Patrick Easton of Vancouver asking him to make an effort to find the writer's sister, Mrs. Arthur Graham, in the city here. Mrs. Graham was formerly Miss Nellie Easton and she states that she lived in Richibucto at one time but he believed her last address was Market street, Saint John.

BANK CLEARINGS

The Saint John bank clearings for this week were \$2,062,473; last year, \$2,172,787; for 1925, \$2,068,871; last year, \$1,805,193. The 1925 total was \$131,306,092 compared with \$133,734,811 in 1924.
The Halifax bank clearings are: Week, \$2,421,892; month, \$15,546,488; for 1925, \$193,208,814. Month figures are: Week, \$722,694; month, \$4,588,972; year, \$41,228,874.

INTERMEDIATES MEET

At a meeting of the City Intermediate Hockey League last evening, five teams were represented: Nationals, 1925 champions; Trojans, Canucks, Martellos and St. Luke's. Officers were elected as follows: Honorary president, Walter C. Allison; president, A. W. Covey; vice president, A. M. McGowan; secretary-treasurer, R. E. Adams. A further meeting will be held at 6 o'clock Monday night in Mr. Covey's office.

TREATS FOR SEAMEN

The seamen on the liner Montrose all received Christmas comfort bags yesterday afternoon from the Seamen's Institute. In all 253 bags were distributed and the work was carried out by R. E. Armstrong, president of the N. B. Branch of the Navy League of Canada and W. Brindle, manager of the Institute. Among those distributed were 104 bags from the Toronto branch of the Navy League and others from I. O. O. E. in Fredericton and Sackville and the Fredericton W. C. T. U. Boxes of chocolate were given to the lady members of the staff of the liner.

HAD GOOD YEAR

The Blue Bird Club of St. David's church met last evening at the home of Mrs. Hugh Miller, wife of the pastor, at 68 Queen street with Miss Edith Waddie, president, in the chair. The accounts were closed for the year and showed that the club had raised \$134.10 which was an increase of 41 per cent over the previous year. Miss Genna Tracey gave a very interesting talk on her recent visit to England, Scotland, Belgium and France. Her travel story was followed with eager attention and she was heartily thanked for her excellent address. At the close Mrs. Miller served daily refreshments. It was a very enjoyable evening.

BIRTHDAY PRESENTATION.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Hennessey, 11 Elliot Row, entertained 25 young people last evening in honor of their nephew, Everett Linton, it being his birthday. On behalf of those present, Miss Hazel Hennessey presented to the guest of honor a gold signet ring. He thanked the donors in a few words for their kind remembrance. The evening was pleasantly spent in contest games, music and dancing. The accompanists of the evening were the Misses Edna Turner, Mabel Adams, Hazel and Doris Hennessey. The hostess served daily refreshments, assisted by her daughters. Mr. Linton will leave on Monday to resume his studies at Mount Allison college, where he is taking a course in engineering and science.

BASKETS GO TO 56 POOR HOMES

Telephone Co. and Employees Distribute 31; Gyros 25.

Substantial Donations of Good Cheer Sent Out Today For New Year's

The annual Christmas treat to needy people in the city by the New Brunswick Telephone Co. Ltd. and the employees was delivered yesterday to 31 homes, a slight increase over the number last year. The boxes were filled with provision, each package weighing about 55 pounds. The list was as follows:

1 24-lb. bag flour, 1 pkg. rolled oats, 1 can beans, 1 can tomatoes, 1 can corn, 1 can peas, 1 lb. tea, 3 cakes soap, 1 2-lb. pkg. sugar, 7 lbs. codfish, 1 pk. potatoes, 3 turnips, 10 oranges, 1 lb. hard mixture, 1 lb. butter, 2 loaves bread, 7 lbs. beef, 2 doz. doughnuts, 2 doz. cookies.

The committee in charge was composed as follows: C. A. Kee, chairman, Miss A. Pike, Miss G. Shortis, Miss M. McNulty, Miss V. Leggett, Miss E. Akerley, Miss L. Corbett, Miss I. Seymour, M. J. McCarroll, Wesley O'Brien, Joseph Christie, Foster Duval, Harry Dakin.

CHILDREN TREATED

On Tuesday night in the company's hall, the annual Christmas treat for children of the employees was given and an excellent program by the children was carried out. John H. Tonge's number on the program aroused much applause, the children enjoying it heartily. The hall was decorated in keeping with the season. The decorations were in charge of A. W. Watson and J. E. Till. The program was as follows: Selection by orchestra; John H. Tonge, Master of Ceremonies; Miss Rose McCarroll, Master Eric Colwell, Master Donald Duncan, recitation; Miss Louise Fraser, solo; Master Harold Edwards, recitation; Master Harold McCarroll, piano solo; Miss Frances O'Brien, recitation; Miss Nellie Ransing, recitation; Miss Elizabeth Moore, piano solo; Santa Claus, Himself.

GYROS SEND BASKETS

The members of the Gyro Club distributed New Year cheer today, delivering well-filled baskets to 25 poor families in the city. These were taken to the homes by members of the club and meant a lot for a happy beginning of 1926 in homes where there has not been plenty. The baskets contained tea biscuits, soda biscuits, rice, tea, milk, sugar, nuts, beans, soup, prunes, rolled oats, mixed candy, butter, potatoes, turnips and fowl. The distribution was in charge of an eager group of willing workers headed by Paul C. Cross and Paul C. Quinn.

L. O. B. A. MEMBERS GUESTS OF CULLUM

Nice Time Had at Gathering of 200 in Simonds Street Hall

Cullum Lodge, No. 36, L. O. B. A. were hostesses last evening in the Orange Hall, Simonds street to members of the L. O. B. A. Lodges in the county and other visitors, including many children. The assemblage numbered more than 200. The children each received a bag of candy, and fruit and at the close of the program all present were treated to dainty refreshments. A nicely decorated Christmas tree and the generous treat were arranged by Mrs. H. Dryden, Mrs. Maud Powers and Mrs. D. Jewett. The program committee was composed of Mrs. Albert Massey, Mrs. M. Massey, Mrs. Charles Ingalls, Mrs. J. Clark, Mrs. Powers and Mrs. T. Harvey.

PRESENTATIONS MADE

Harry Sellen, L. O. B. A. county secretary, was the chairman and gave an address of welcome. Mrs. D. Jewett, W. M. of Cullum Lodge on behalf of the members, presented gifts to the following grand lodge officers: Mrs. Joseph Taylor, Miss Josie Woodland, Mrs. James Brown, and Mrs. Charlotte Sweet. Gifts were also presented to Mr. Charles Stephens, W. M. of Johnstone Lodge; Mrs. O. Brentnall, W. M. of Dominion Lodge; Mrs. A. Evans, W. M. of Bonaventure Lodge; Mrs. Burton Ring, W. M. of Baxter Lodge; Mrs. J. Chard, W. M. of Fairmount Lodge; and Mrs. S. E. Galbraith, W. M. of Potts Lodge.

The program was as follows: Hymn, "Test be the Tie That Binds"; duet, the Misses Lyons and Trotty; vocal solo, Miss Kane; recitation, Master Horace Macfarlane; piano solo, Miss Florence Naves; mandolin solo, Laurence Mowry; reading, Miss Irene Macfarlane; piano solo, Miss Nodding; recitation, Rena Hughes; recitation, Helen McKinnon; solo, Miss MacKay; duet, the Misses Lyons and Trotty; mandolin solo, Lawrence Mowry; recitation, Muriel Powers.

Nice Time Had At St. Philip's Church

The annual Christmas treat for the children of St. Philip's A. M. E. church was given last evening with the hall packed to listen to a programme of songs, recitations and dialogues put off by church members. The pastor, Rev. C. M. Morgan, presided, and thanked all citizens and members who had made the treat possible. The program included choruses; recitation, Floissie Simms; solo, Ruby Holmes; recitation, C. Peters; solo, Don Lettice; recitation, Richard Lucas; solo and chorus, Lena Dixon; recitation, Hope Walker; duet, Lena Dixon and Ruby Holmes; recitation, J. Jones; recitation, Lila Peters.

TO OPEN GAME

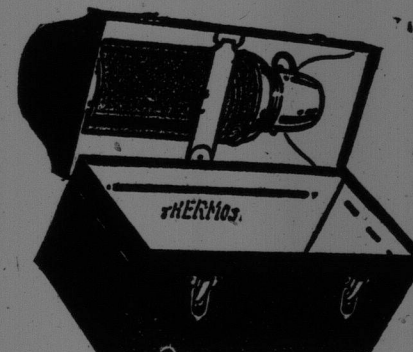
Miss Winifred Blair, formerly "Miss Canada," will toss the puck for the opening game tomorrow night in the arena between Saint John and Moncton. The band of the Saint John Fusiliers will be in attendance.

ONE ON LAST DAY

In the Police Court this morning one man forfeited his deposit when he failed to show up to answer a charge of drunkenness.

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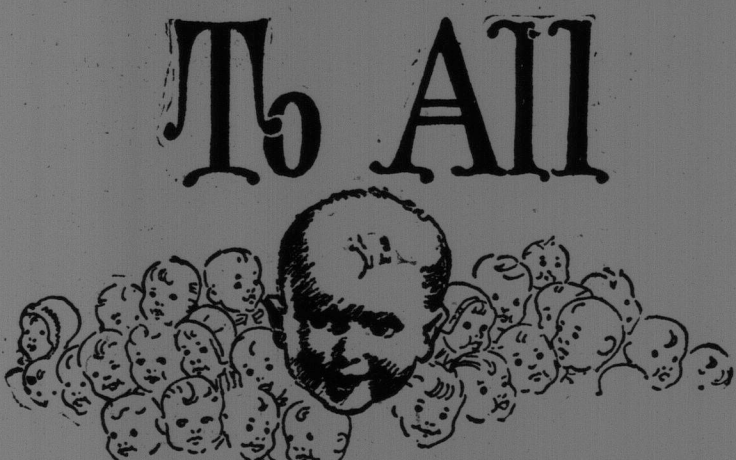
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