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LEADERS DISCUSS PORT NATIONALIZATION

Hon. P. J. Veniot Confers On Tentative Plans With Mayor; Traffic Congestion Considered

Messrs. Foster, Hayes and Ryan Also in Attendance ARE CONTINUING

C. N. R. General Manager Says Federal Harbor Control Is Real Remedy Here

MAYOR WHITE this afternoon received a wire from the secretary of Hon. Mackenzie King, Prime Minister of Canada, in answer to his wire to the premier asking for an investigation into the present traffic congestion at this port. The wire said that the Premier was out of the city and the matter had been referred to the Minister of Trade and Commerce, Hon. James Malcolm. At present time no word had come from Hon. Mr. Malcolm.

SPURRED by the situation that has arisen in connection with grain and ship congestion at this port, the blame for which some instances is laid to lack of facilities and incompetency, national, provincial and civic authorities met in conference here today and discussed the emergency situation and port nationalization. At the conclusion of an important meeting in Mayor White's office this morning, the only announcement made was that the discussion would continue this afternoon.

At the conference in Mayor White's office today, those present included Hon. P. J. Veniot, Postmaster-General, Hon. Walter E. Foster, former Premier of New Brunswick, and W. M. Ryan and R. T. Hayes, Liberal candidates for this riding at the last general elections.

Port nationalization was considered, it was learned, in the Federal cabinet before the meeting. The representatives so as to be in a position to speak on the matter when the question comes up in consideration of the Duncan report which recommends such policy.

CONTINUE THIS AFTERNOON. The conference this afternoon is being extended to include Premier J. B. M. Baxter, members of the Common Council and the Board of Trade. It is likely some common ground will be reached so that a united front may be presented to the coming session of Parliament.

C. N. R. OFFICIAL HERE. General Manager Walter U. Appleton, of the C. N. R., Moncton, in conversation with a representative of The Evening Times-Star early this afternoon, said it was his private opinion that nothing short of nationalization of the port of Saint John would bring about the adequate facilities and management of ocean terminal affairs now demanded by the trading world.

A qualified engineer of wide experience, a board of harbor commissioners under federal control, well seasoned under-officers and technical experts familiar with all the phases of harbor work and transport, would come with a nationalized port. Montreal enjoyed this sort of harbor management and upkeep and it was a very obvious fact that Saint John should be similarly officered and equipped. Moreover, national governments are bound to keep their harbor properties abreast of the times.

Mr. Appleton would not discuss any length the present grain blockade in the harbor and railway truckage hereabouts other than to say he felt conditions such as the ice jam in the Great Lakes, in which many grain steamers were caught, and other conditions, had a bearing upon the Saint John case. It was unfortunate that the congestion should occur just at the bright opening of the winter port and, but he was certain ways and means would be devised for overcoming the difficulty before long.

RECORD SEASON

The C. N. R. is heading for a record grain season, Mr. Appleton said. Its Saint John elevator had been very busy from the beginning of the season and already last year's record had almost

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Grain Handling Facilities

THE following information regarding the grain handling facilities at this port are of interest at the present time: There are two elevators in West Saint John with the following capacities:

Table with 2 columns: Elevator type and Capacity (Bushels). Rows include New elevator (1,000,000), Old wooden elevator (600,000), and Total (1,600,000).

The new elevator has two tracks and can receive forty-five cars, 112,500 bushels a day. The wooden elevator has four tracks and can receive 115 cars, 287,500 bushels a day. Thus the total receiving capacity of both West Side elevators is 400,000 bushels a day.

Elihu Root Gives \$25,000 To Magazine

British United Press. NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Elihu Root has donated his \$25,000 Woodrow Wilson prize to the magazine "Foreign Affairs." In a letter accompanying the check, Root requested that the money be made the nucleus of an endowment fund for the magazine, a non-profit-making quarterly published by the Council on Foreign Relations.

ADMIRAL OLIVER TO SUCCEED BEATTY

New First Sea Lord is Living Embodiment of "Silent Navy"

LONDON, Dec. 30.—Admiral Sir Francis Oliver, commander of the Atlantic fleet, is expected to succeed Earl Beatty as first sea lord. Earl Beatty's retirement is overdue but it is understood that he has remained in his position as first sea lord pending the availability of Sir Henry Francis Oliver, who has been described as the embodiment of the silent navy, and even to his friends, says nothing about naval affairs.

By-Election In Sask. Set For January 21

REGINA, Sask., Dec. 30.—With the provincial by-election in Saskatchewan city and constituency were issued Tuesday. Nomination day is set for Friday, January 14, and, if an election is required, polling will take place Friday, January 21. The seat was held by Mr. A. P. McNab, former minister of public works, on his appointment as a member of the local government board.

Soviet To Sell Crown Jewels, Failing Effort To Get Loans

MOSCOW, Dec. 30.—Having failed to obtain loans abroad, the Soviet government has determined to convert its \$250,000,000 collection of Czarist crowns, sceptres, coronets, necklaces, emblems and other begun articles into liquid assets with which to rehabilitate the country's flagging industries.

Hughes Declines To Forward Gould Case Evidence

ILLEGAL TRADE IN NARCOTICS IS UNCOVERED

Five Arrested at Montreal by Govt' Official

METHODS TOLD

Shipments Mostly Through This Port and Maine, Agents Say

Canadian Press. MONTREAL, Dec. 30.—The biggest drug ring in North America which has been responsible for half of the illicit narcotic trade on the continent for many years, has been uncovered through the co-operation of the Canadian and United States governments, it was stated here this morning by F. W. Cowan, Canadian agent of the health of the Department of Health of the United States government. Three to four months of work were brought to a head early this morning by the arrest of five men, and these will be arraigned in court today.

The organization of narcotic drugs was being shipped to the United States every day through the ring, Mr. Cowan said.

U. S. TAKES PART

The United States government, the narcotic branch chief went on, had made several protests to the Canadian government and finally Hon. Dr. J. H. McCord, minister of the department of health, sent Mr. Cowan to Montreal to make a personal investigation.

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POSED AS BUYERS

The investigators got in touch with the ring and represented themselves as big buyers from the United States. In years, was reported, despatches to their investigations and accumulated evidence. They were arrested at the Montreal office of the health of the United States government.

LAST BIG ONE

Mr. Cowan believes the ring uncovered to be the last big one operating in Canada. The men arrested in connection with the investigations include three railway porters. They were arrested on warrants charging conspiracy to sell and distribute narcotic drugs. Other arrests are pending.

VISITS KELLOGG

Second Son of Dead Jap Emperor at Washington

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Prince Chichibu, second son of the late Japanese Emperor, was officially welcomed in Washington late yesterday by Secretary of State Kellogg. His visit here is for the purpose of paying his respects to President Coolidge, and he will leave Friday for San Francisco on his way to Japan.

NO EVENING TIMES-STAR ON SATURDAY

SATURDAY, being New Year's Day, there will be no issue of The Evening Times-Star. The comics section will be included in Friday's issue, the price of which will be 2 cents, as is usual for Saturday papers only. The Telegraph-Journal will be published Saturday morning as usual.

Scene of Winnipeg's Fatal Fire



THREE firemen were killed and seven injured when the old Winnipeg Theatre at the corner of Notre Dame and Adelaide streets, Winnipeg, was destroyed by fire. This view from Notre Dame Avenue shows some firemen working to clear away the wreckage of the theatre.

MUST USE QUIET, EVEN TONES IN TALKING ACROSS ATLANTIC

ARRIVES WITH 28 OF CREW IN IRONS

Sailors of Liner Columbia Revolted in the Canal Zone

PANAMA, Dec. 30.—The Pacific Mail liner Columbia arrived yesterday with 28 members of her crew in the ship's prison, charged with staging a mutiny on the high sea, last Monday, when the captain refused to release three of their shipmates, whom he had locked up. The majority of the mutinous sailors are Latins. They will be tried in the United States Federal court for the canal zone on charges of mutiny and other offenses.

CONFIRM TRAGEDY

Vessel Astoria, Sunk in Black Sea, Not American

ODESSA, Ukraine, Dec. 30.—Despatches received here today confirm the sinking of the vessel Astoria in the Black Sea near the Rumanian coast, with the loss of 21 lives, but fail to identify her as American.

TO HONOR BRUCE

Special Convocation by University of Toronto on Tuesday

TORONTO, Ont., Dec. 30.—The University of Toronto will hold a special convocation on Tuesday for the purpose of conferring the honorary degree of doctor of laws on Right Hon. Stanley M. Bruce, Premier of Australia. It was announced last night.

McLellan & Hughes Dissolve Partnership

FREDERICTON, Dec. 30.—The legal firm of McLellan and Hughes, the oldest in Fredericton, no longer exists except for the purpose of closing up old business. The members have been Robert W. McLellan and Peter J. Hughes, K.C., both graduates of the University of New Brunswick, and the partnership was formed shortly after the graduation of Mr. Hughes in 1899. The firm has practically been non-existent as a firm for some months.

REQUEST FROM SENATOR WALSH IS TURNED DOWN

Charges to be Heard at Washington Tuesday

WAS COUNSEL

Original Transcript of Testimony Cannot be Located at Fredericton

Special to The Times-Star. FREDERICTON, N. B., Dec. 30.—P. J. Hughes, K. C., of this city, who was counsel in the investigation before Hon. H. A. McKeown, then Chief Justice of the Court of King's Bench, in matters concerning Hon. Arthur R. Gould of Presque Isle, Maine, and the construction of the Saint John and Quebec Railway, has refused to forward to Washington the copy of the evidence taken in that investigation.

Senator Walsh, who is promoting the charges against Hon. Mr. Gould, which are to be heard Tuesday at Washington, requested that the evidence be forwarded. Mr. Hughes was not requested to attend personally.

Copies of the evidence also exist in Woodstock and Saint John as well as in Fredericton.

The original transcript of the evidence which was presented to the House of Assembly by Chief Justice McKeown made his report, which was against Hon. Mr. Gould and his associates, could not be found in the vault of the House, where it should be and was thought to be.

300 Alcohol Deaths In Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 30.—Alcohol, containing poison or taken in excess, caused 300 deaths in this city during 1926, Coroner Fred Schwartz estimated yesterday.

TOW IS REFUSED

British Freighter, Clearton, Declines Aid, Owing to Cost

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—The British freighter Clearton, which sent out an S. O. S. last night, when its rudder was gone and its engine disabled, today was in no immediate danger and drifting between 200 and 300 miles off the Virginia coast, the Independent Wireless Company reported. The wireless company said the S. S. Berlin and the Martha Washington had answered the Clearton's call, but that the captain of the British freighter has refused their offers in aid due to the heavy expense involved in a tow. The freighter sailed from Baltimore December 28 for Queenstown, Ireland.

The Weather

SYNOPSIS.—The disturbance which was over the Maritime Provinces yesterday has moved northeastward to Labrador. Another shallow low area is passing eastward over Northern Ontario, while pressure continues high over the greater part of the United States. The weather is fair in nearly all parts of the Dominion, cold in Ottawa and St. Lawrence Valley, and moderate elsewhere.

FORECASTS

MARITIME.—Fresh westerly winds, fair. Moderately cold to night. Friday, southwest winds, fair with moderate temperature.

NEW ENGLAND.—Partly cloudy tonight and Friday; warmer Friday, fresh possibly west and southwest winds.

Temperatures Highest during 8 a.m. yesterday night

Table with 2 columns: Location and Temperature. Rows include Victoria (48), Calgary (24), Edmonton (20), Winnipeg (28), Toronto (23), Montreal (26), Saint John (18), and Halifax (24).

PORT NATIONALIZATION BILL AT NEXT SESSION

Veniot and Baxter Urge All Unite In Maritimes' Cause

New Brunswick Premier Advocates Higher Rate of Production and Shipments from Saint John to All Parts of World

OPTIMISM IN FUTURE OF EAST VOICED

Postmaster General Pledges Effort to Carry Out Recommendations in Duncan Report in Speech at Commercial Travelers' Dinner Here

In two very important addresses, one by Hon. Dr. J. B. M. Baxter, Premier of New Brunswick, and the other by Hon. P. J. Veniot, Postmaster-General of Canada, delivered at the fifth annual banquet of the Saint John Commercial Travelers' Association in the Admiral Beatty Hotel, last evening, both struck upon common ground when they strongly advocated the sinking of party politics for the common good and advancement of the Maritime Provinces.

"Commercialize the idea of greater unity throughout the Maritimes," was one of the ringing utterances of the Postmaster-General in a forcible speech.

"If the recommendations of the Duncan report are adopted they will do much to keep the Maritime Provinces on an even keel," was the claim of Hon. Dr. Baxter in a telling address.

Hon. Dr. Veniot stated that while it was impossible to say just what action the government would take in regard to the Duncan report previously owing to Premier King's absence at the Imperial Conference, it could be safely said today that every effort would be made to bring into effect the recommendations of the Duncan report.

LEGISLATION IN MAKING

The Postmaster-General said that legislation was to be introduced in parliament to nationalize the ports of Saint John and Halifax and be concluded with a strong appeal for a united front from the Maritime members for the benefit of the east.

Hon. Dr. Baxter likewise stressed the necessity for joining hands of all concerned for the general good of the provinces by the sea. He advocated high production and a greater use of the port of Saint John in shipping of goods to world markets. He claimed that there was an awakening to the needs of the Maritime Provinces and this was seen in the action of the railroads towards the matter of immigration. Discussing the matter of the crowding of the port of Saint John, as was evidenced at the present by several large steamers not being able to berth, Hon. Dr. Veniot said that he did not know whose fault it was, nor whose fault it was, he added, it came at a moment of great things. "It is just one more argument and one more argument in favor of the nationalization of the port of Saint John. The speakers of the evening were Hon. Dr. J. B. M. Baxter, Hon. Dr.

try determined, the real business was to join hands for the common good.

FRAISES VENIOT

Premier Baxter paid a great tribute to Hon. Dr. Veniot, postmaster-general, and urged all present to assist him as much as possible and give him their undivided support. He stated that there should be no provincial politics in the way of putting stumbling blocks before the present representative in his attempt to help the Maritimes.

He asked them to consider the internal aspects of New Brunswick for a few moments. He told them that as salesmen they could do much to assist the Maritimes in their travels and asked them to sell the Maritimes wherever they went. The press of certain sections of Canada was "chasing" the Maritimes by asking what the Maritimes were doing for themselves. He stated that the Maritimes have done a lot for themselves, but there was a large field that they have not realized existed. During the war years, he pointed out, the keynote was high production and that same keynote held good today. He asked the members of the stock of the situation and see if they were taking advantage of the opportunities that were being offered. He pointed out that in an agricultural way overhauled New Brunswick. He quoted figures to prove the fact, they stated that while they could not accomplish all of that, they could do something better than the great producing and use the port of Saint John to export their products to any part of the world.

CANADA WAKING UP

The speaker said he felt that Canada was waking up to the needs of the Maritimes in the way of immigration. In order to have a great country all parts must be prosperous. He stated that the matter had been discussed by the great railroads of Canada and he felt sure that the support of New Brunswick members and the present minister, Hon. Mr. Veniot, in this respect would be forthcoming. The population of the Maritimes needs replenishing after the great drain in it by the country to the south. He felt that sympathy was felt for the Maritimes from coast to coast.

Premier Baxter stated that he hoped the Federal Government would be able to do something along the lines of the last settlement. He stated that the opportunity would be given the young people to remain on the farms of New Brunswick. He stated that the Government was holding the present population and increase it with more.

DUNCAN REPORT

The speaker stated that he wanted to refer for a moment to the Duncan report, but not to detail it. He stated that Sir Andrew Rae Duncan, a man with an open mind, equipped with a great deal of mental, was found favor with the maritime viewpoint in company with the other two members of the commission. He stated that some other parts of Canada might not see this problem in the right light and perhaps cause difficulty in the matter of legislation. The best solution, he pointed out, was for the Maritimes to take what was being done in the other provinces and this could be done. The recommendations in the Duncan report, if carried out, would enable the Maritimes to get on an even keel. Every member of the Maritimes in the Federal Government should make of himself a salesman to sell the report to the government and present a solid front. Only in the business in the province and the business coming through the province, he stated, will the Maritimes get the best results. The speaker pointed out that the first and middle object of governments.

Hon. Dr. Veniot

Hon. Dr. Veniot stated that he was glad to see several large vessels not able to get loading berths in Saint John harbor at the present moment. He added that he did not know whose fault it was, in fact he would not discuss or criticize those to blame, but it was a moment of great things. "The papers here will notice it and publish it," he added, "what results are denatured here because transportation facilities are not here. It is just one more argument in favor of the Duncan report and one more argument for the nationalization of the port of Saint John. I am here to thank you for the success of the Premier's speech. Hon. Dr. Veniot added, "and speaking for the people of the North Shore I share your sentiments when I say whatever efforts will be put forth will be backed with a united front by New Brunswick people."

NATIONALIZATION BILL

"I have a suggestion," Dr. Veniot stated, "and that is that you get together and that hurriedly. You have done a lot, the city has undertaken heavy financial burdens, get the best business men together, the captains of industry, call into consultation men from all over the province for their things will happen. A bill will be introduced at the next sitting of parliament for the nationalization of the port of Saint John and Halifax, and it will be a joint bill. It will be wise for the men of New Brunswick to meet a similar body of men from Nova Scotia and agree upon the question, because conditions are not the same in both cities, so that when they take the floor of the House of Commons there will be no difference of opinion, and not at odds with one another as to the best solution. If a solid front is put forth from both provinces, it is not too much to hope that they will get what they desire."

"I have hope," Hon. Dr. Veniot stated, "and I am not giving any secrets away, that the Duncan report will bear fruit, and I also hope that when the report is laid before the Commons it will be carried. The Duncan report will be considered ere another session has passed."

REPORT DELAYED

He stated that it had been impossible for the Government of Canada to give the attention the Duncan report merited as the absence of the Premier at the Imperial Conference had delayed its presentation earlier. Up to the present time, the speaker stated, it had been impossible to say just what action the government might take, but

now every effort would be made to bring into effect the recommendations in that report.

He told the members of the Travelers' Association that they had a duty to perform, every citizen of New Brunswick had a duty to perform, and that was to forget politics, lay aside personal jealousies and stand shoulder to shoulder to help the members of the Maritime Provinces in the federal government to try and create that feeling which should prevail throughout Canada. "Commercialize the idea of greater unity throughout the Maritimes," the speaker urged.

OBSTACLES POSSIBLE

It is possible that obstacles might have to be overcome in fact, they are getting thousands and thousands of dollars together to keep the St. Lawrence River open in January. "We find," the speaker, "that the newspapers that move over to the Maritime Union as a solution of the problem, contain the same old story for conditions and advocating Maritime Union as a solution of the problem. It is for us to surmise, we have nothing to prove it is a means of concerted action to take attention of the reports in on foot to delay the legislation."

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Mayor White

Mayor White in his remarks expressed his pleasure at the feeling of optimism that prevailed through the room. Saint John, he pointed out, was a commercial community, the members of the traveling profession being prominent in the community being the foundation of Saint John city. Dr. White pointed out, was laid in commerce and he stated that he was glad to see such large number present.

Travelers were very much in touch with the sentiment prevailing throughout the province. He stated that the commission had been seen through the wrong end of the opera glasses. If competent engineers looked over the situation they would choose Saint John as the natural outlet of a country 8,000 miles wide.

"I am not going to discuss the Commission's report," he stated, "but let us put the cards on the table as we want to be part of a prosperous country."

The approach to the port of Montreal, the speaker said, amounted to \$200,000 in dredging and this money had come from the federal treasury. The port of Saint John had cost the federal treasury, he stated, the upkeep of a light and a whistle at Partridge Island at the entrance to the harbor. Saint John was not asking for favors but rather a business arrangement for both city and country.

"What can they do?" the speaker asked. He went on to say that the port could be taken, developed, skillful engineers employed to make a survey and make arrangements not for the present, but for the future. If that were done, Saint John would become an all-the-year-round port, while Montreal is only a seven months port. The speaker said it was not his intention to compare Saint John with Montreal, but the question must be settled right away.

regional superintendent of the Atlantic Division of the C. N. R., said that he was somewhat of a traveler himself, making over 30,000 miles a year. The Canadian National, he said, was making a determined effort to sell transportation by making travel as comfortable as possible for the patrons. The system had just closed the most successful year in its history, the net revenue being around \$45,000,000. The Atlantic Division had a deficit of about \$5,000,000. During the season just closed about \$7,000,000 had been spent on equipment and tracks.

GREATER TRAFFIC

The traffic for the year just closed had increased, the speaker said, both in import and export. Grain shipments to the elevator at Halifax at the present time equaled those of last season, while about 5,000,000 bushels had reached Saint John. At one time, Mr. Appleton said, 250 cars of freight were sidetracked between here and Moncton. During the month of November traffic showed an increase over that of last year to the extent of 1,700 cars, while December of this year was much better than that of last year. This meant a great deal to the Maritimes in the way of putting money in circulation, as it represented the pay of railwaymen, dispatchers, section men, etc.

In Prince Edward Island, Mr. Appleton said, 1,000 carloads of potatoes had been carried, representing 1,500,000 bushels. As an example of intensive farming, he said that the potato crop in Prince Edward Island this year was about 2,200,000 bushels, some growers getting 400 and 500 bushels to the acre. The same could be applied to New Brunswick and this province be made more prosperous.

G. BRUCE BURPEE

G. Bruce Burpee, district passenger agent of the Canadian Pacific Railway, in responding to this toast, said that commercial travelers would always find the doors of the Canadian Pacific open to them. He wished them all the compliments of the season.

in response to the toast "The Board of Trade," proposed by L. C. Armstrong, Col. A. E. Massie said:

The best barometer of our board's

The speaker then touched upon the agricultural situation in this province. He stated that the Board of Trade should not have to go to the markets of Quebec and Ontario for butter, cheese, etc. The Provincial as well as the Federal Government should stimulate greater production of such products in the province, and then there will be no chance for such papers as the Toronto Saturday Night to make demands for looking for foreign markets we should produce more at home and then export the surplus.

During the year 1917, the speaker pointed out, New Brunswick in production was not as good as the British Empire. The great incentive, he stated, was loyalty to the Maritimes.

Dr. Veniot stated he was glad the provincial government was prepared to take the initiative in this matter. American concerns were beginning to demand that Canadian and American citizens be made equal before the law. The movement, the speaker stated, started last year when the Government decided to return to this country. The encouragement of the Maritimes was needed in the matter of immigration. The speaker said it was not his intention to return to this country. The encouragement of the Maritimes was needed in the matter of immigration. The speaker said it was not his intention to return to this country.

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achievements is a comparison of the Maritime situation such as it was two years ago with the Maritime situation of today.

"Two years ago the Maritime effort was totally uncrystallized—even when we ourselves were asked by others elsewhere as to what we wanted, we were compelled to confess that we did not quite know. We were simply conscious of an unbearable burden of undefined wrongs and grievances, which this board felt it must, with the help of other boards and our newspapers, reduce to unmistakably clear-cut forms. To this end it proceeded to work."

"In July, 1924, a meeting of Maritime Boards was held at Moncton, at which representatives from the three provinces were present, and at which time it was decided to ask through the respective Governments to jointly finance the engagement of a transportation expert to prepare the Maritime Freight Rate case."

A. P. Paterson was appointed chairman of the committee, and F. M. Scanders was appointed secretary. The three governments were successfully approached, and F. C. Cornell (an acknowledged expert in such matters) was engaged.

TREMENDOUS TASK

"Needless to say Mr. Paterson's committee undertook a tremendous job, throughout which the closest and most harmonious co-operation in the three provinces prevailed."

"This was the first official united action of the Maritimes. It ushered in at last a new era of Maritime unity, which will ultimately, we hope, lead to greater and improved conditions throughout the three provinces."

The outcome of the activity of the committee appointed resulted in the engagement of Colonel Ralston (now Minister of Militia) by the three provinces, or their respective premiers, to present the Maritime Freight Rate case to the Board of Railway Commissioners, which he did in a very able manner. It was much so that two Orders-in-Council were secured involving the general freight rate inquiry, and the placing of this inquiry before the Board of Railway Commissioners. "This is a notable achievement, which it is hoped will result in the adjustment of a truly economic basis of the general freight rate structure throughout Canada, and the placing of the Maritimes in a fair position to compete in the markets of Central Canada and elsewhere in the Dominion."

DUNCAN COMMISSION "The securing of a royal commission on Maritime claims, and our board's insistence that this commission be headed by an eminent British jurist, resulted in the selection of Sir Andrew Rae Duncan."

"The report of the Duncan Commission was recently given to the present by far the most important matter before Parliament, and prospects for the adoption of its recommendations are encouraging. Opposition will be encountered, no doubt, but the splendid spirit of unity now characteristic of the Maritimes, reinforced by the sympathetic attitude displayed in some other sections of Canada, inspires us with courage and hope."

"It may be of interest to mention that the brief of the Saint John Board of Trade, prepared by J. D. McKeown and A. P. Paterson, was characterized by Sir Andrew Duncan as the

most and most forceful submission presented to him during the sitting. "The above are merely a few of the more outstanding achievements of the fundamental matter of Maritime rights, towards which our board in close co-operation with the board at Halifax, has taken the leadership."

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STAND TOGETHER

ONCE more we have leaders of the two political parties in this province calling upon their followers to forget partisanship in the interests of the community.

At the annual banquet of the Maritime Union of Canada, Premier Baxter dwelt forcibly upon the necessity of members of all parties getting together and presenting a united front to the end that the recommendations of the Duncan Commission may be speedily adopted.

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Now, in spite of the growing popularity of profane printers and the gibes of Lloyd George, who labelled it "the threepenny edition of the Daily Mail," the Times yet maintains its pre-eminence of authoritative editorial pronouncement amounting at times to its accepted inspiration.

This gives importance to its leading article entitled "A Kiss for Cinderella," which forecasts a thrill of happiness for the neglected children of Canadian Confederation as the outcome of the Duncan Commission report.

The Times accepts the hopeful view held by the Maritimes that Ottawa will act on Sir Anson's recommendations in a manner satisfactory to us. Evidently the Times has analyzed the opposition couched in terms of caution, and has discovered its base elements, discarding them as unwelcome.

It is not surprising that the Maritimes, and the whole Dominion accepting provinces coming freely to the assistance of the Maritimes, and the whole Dominion accepting provinces in order that the life blood of commerce may quicken in its number of extremities throughout Canada.

Assuredly it is to the West that the Maritimes must look for aid freely offered to overcome resistance on the part of certain central interests. Probably resistance will fade away when it is seen how strong are the forces arrayed on the side of justice. Moreover, it may influence those ill-disposed to Maritime claims when they realize that London is watching them—not that London would take part in Canadian affairs; not that it is necessary or desirable that London should make the slightest gesture that might be construed as interference or advice; but because it is known that actions are being weighed and assayed by an impartial public. Publicity is an enormous factor in securing justice.

COLD STORAGE

IT is announced that a cold storage company with a million dollars capital has been incorporated and will erect a plant in Halifax. It was announced recently from Toronto that a concern known as the Canadian Rail and Harbor Terminal Company had completed arrangements for the erection of cold storage and terminal warehouse facilities all across Canada.

The cities mentioned were Halifax, Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and Vancouver. The plant in Toronto has already been erected, and one is under construction in Montreal; while the Toronto despatch said that arrangements would be made to bring Winnipeg into the chain. The despatch from Halifax indicates that a plant will be erected there. Such a plant would be of great advantage to the fisheries of Nova Scotia. It is explained that the pooling of shipments to make up carload lots is one of the services to be extended to manufacturers and others. Freight charges will thus be reduced, while cartage, traffic service and fire insurance are mentioned as other advantages of the scheme.

It is said that this will do much to promote the export trade in butter, cheese, eggs, flour and other products; and that the transportation companies will be associated with the project.

THEORY AND PRACTICE

THE theoretical students, who at the National Student Conference in Milwaukee resolved that if their country went to war they would "refuse to sanction or to lend support" to the war, doubtless mean well. To the laymen, however, they appear to be making themselves unnecessarily ridiculous. Presumably as theological students the majority intend to enter holy orders.

That being so, only as a very last resort would they be called on to bear arms and so sanction and support war. If, however, it is their intention to carry matters further and abstain from ad-

ministering spiritual comfort to those engaged, it is still unlikely to make much difference, because history has proved over and over again that when the forces of a state face the dangers of battle the clergy have invariably clamored for the opportunity to demonstrate that manliness and godliness are not incompatible, and to share the perils and trials of soldiers, to bring them comfort and to inspire them by example of courage and fidelity.

There are always hundreds of such, and it is these men who have ever snatched brands from the burning in numbers far greater than have their more pacific brethren, well-intentioned though the latter be. None will contend that bellicosity is any part of a priest's equipment, but there is no need for him to be a fire-eater in order to become a beloved ministering figure like Woodbine Willie.

Incidentally, can it be the presence of that gallant and reverend gentleman in the United States has anything to do with the resolution of the budding theologians at Milwaukee? But one may expect that as these young men acquire knowledge and wisdom they will be found, if war should come, on the battlefield, putting "fags" into the mouths of the dying and pouring absolution into their ears.

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The World's Religions

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EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the fifth of a series of six articles on the world's religions. The next article will be on Christianity.

By J. W. T. MASON

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MOHAMMED, an Arabian reformer of the seventh century A. D., tried to adapt the Old Testament without Jehovah and the New Testament without Christ and St. Paul to the warlike and lustful understandings of nomadic tribes in the Near East and North Africa. He gave such an impetus to the doctrine he taught that his followers nearly overran Europe.

Mohammed had a high understanding of spiritual values and his followers were so much impressed with the importance of set forms of worship.

He himself, realized the beauty of Christ's teaching and recognized Christ as one of the prophets. But the Koran, literally interpreted, left little room for the doctrine of Mohammed taught and so it has failed to contribute anything of large value to spiritual progress in the modern world.

Doctrine of Kismet.

Mohammed declared all believers in Allah would attain Paradise and all unbelievers would be punished. By his doctrine of Kismet, or fate, he meant to show that Allah guided the destinies of the faithful, but to the same time left an element of self-determination of man.

Constant prayer and visits to holy places are necessary for Mohammedans to assure themselves that they are not lacking in the ranks of the faithful. In a land where the grape is not easily cultivated, Mohammed had no special difficulties in establishing prohibition as one of the essential tenets of his faith.

After the death of the Prophet, Mohammedanism developed powerful theologians, under the influence of Greek learning which had spread to Egypt and North Africa in general. At this time, Christianity in Europe was dominated by the doctrine of the millennium, which taught belief in an early ending of the world.

Christians were predominantly interested in preparing themselves for the day of judgment. They rejected the learning of the ancients and had it not been for the broader culture which had been introduced into Europe, Mohammedanism might have perished in Europe.

Modernism then dominated the Mohammedan world. Theologians of liberal tendencies encouraged the study of Aristotle and a great Muslim civilization developed in Spain, where the Mohammedans held the reins of power.

The Christian countries of Europe sent their best pupils to Spain to learn from the Mohammedans. The sciences of astronomy, medicine, law, architecture and other professions. It seemed for a moment that the Mohammedan world would control Europe intellectually where they had failed to do so with their arms.

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Poems I Love

By GMA, HANSON TOWNE

"Hills," by Arthur Guiterman.

MR. GUITERMAN is thought of chiefly as a writer of humorous poetry, but he is also a poet of serious verse. His poems are clear, clean, and to the point.

His rhymed reviews of books are clever commentaries, done with skill and precision; but they are even more gay contributions, with a brief life as that of a butterfly. Like all true humorists and parodists, Mr. Guiterman is a profound philosopher; and behind his lightest mood there is a permanent warmth, a radiance flowing from his heart. He has enough in him to have made several literary reputations. His serious verse is of a high order, and I am particularly fond of him in such a vein as this.

I never loved your plains— Your gentle valleys, Your drowsy country lanes And parch'd alleys.

I want my hills!—the trail That scorns the hollow— Up, up the ragged shale Where few will follow.

Up, over wooded crest And mossy boulder, With strong thigh, hearing chest, And swinging shoulder.

So let me hold my way, By nothing halted, Until, at close of day, I stand, exalted.

High on my hills of dream— Dear hills that know me! And then, how full will seem The lands below me.

How pure, at vesper-time, The far bells chiming! God, give me hills to climb, And strength for climbing!

After Dinner Stories

SIX-YEAR-OLD DORA returned unusually early from school the other day. She rang the door bell. There was no answer. She rang again, a little longer. Still there was no response. A third time she pressed the button, long and hard. Nobody came to the door, and she pressed her nose against the window pane and in a shrill voice, called the ears of every neighbor, called:

"It's all right, mamma, I'm not the instatement man!"

TWO small girls were out playing when the doctor, who happened to be passing, stopped and inquired how they were.

"Don't think we had better tell you," said one of them.

"Well," she replied, "Daddy told us that when you called the other week and asked how we were it cost him \$3."

THE elderly country doctor whose practice had fallen off considerably sat in his office reading when his henchman called.

"Them boys is a-stealing your green apples again," he reported. "Shall I drive 'em away?"

The doctor considered a moment and then leveling his eye at his servant, replied, "No."

POOR JOKES

It's a poor joke: When some woman blushes with embarrassment.

When some heart carries away an ache, When something sacred is made to appear common.

When profanity is required to make it funny, When a little child is brought to tears.

When everyone can't join in the laughter.

Selling Public Service

(Financial Post)

A PROMINENT public service executive said not long ago that one of the difficulties was due to the fact that "we know too much about our business and the public knows too little about it."

Very often one gets too close to his own proposition to give the other fellow the proper view. It is just the same for grants that the other fellow sees it as he does—its so plain and simple. But the public service proposition is not plain and simple. It takes a lot of intensive, systematic analyzing and explaining to make it clear and simple to the public as it should be. It is the prime duty of the public service to stop short of nothing to see that its case is understood by the public. Confidence and goodwill that are gained in advance of information, knowledge, understanding, are not worth very much for they won't last.

Serve the people well and tell them about it, advises Public Service Magazine. It is good advice. Tell them frankly, in the spirit of real earnestness. That's the way most of the public service companies are doing the thing today. That is why most of them do have the confidence and goodwill of the people they serve.

A Business Woman's Soliloquy

(With Apologies to Shakespeare)

To wit for me to weep, that is the question. Whether 'tis better, after all, to marry And be calmed and haled by a husband, Or to strike up geography or clerking, And slave, alas! for someone else's husband?

To love—to weep—and by a wedding end? To strike up a war, and the thousand petty cares "That slaves" are heir to—'tis rare vacation Devoutly to be wished for! To love—to weep—to weep—purchase divorce! Aye, there's the rub For in that dream of bliss what joys may come When we have cast aside our little jobs Must make us wary. There's the entry, that "That makes so many spinsters hesitate; For who would bear the long, eternal grind, The employer's joke, the chief clerk's contumacy, The insolence of the office boys, and smoke Of last week's stogies clinging to the hair?

When she herself may quickly end it all—By getting married? Who would not exchange A dingy office for a kitchenette— A keyboard for a cook stove or a cradle— But that the dread of something worse to come After the honeymoon—that life of chance From whose dark bourne so many have returned. By way of Reno—fills us with dismay. And makes us rather bear the jobs we have Than fly to evils that we know not of! Thus cowardice makes spinsters of—so many,

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Queer Quirks of Nature

WHITE ANTS—BUG BOLSHEVIKS

By Dr. Thomas E. Snyder

WHITE ANTS are bolsheviks among bugs; they have a communistic manner of living and division of labor, food, and home.

Like other bolsheviks, white ants are destructive to the property of others; they bore into the woodwork of buildings and greatly damage the building before their presence is detected. It is a great hardship for the small householder on a moderate salary to make a large initial outlay on a new house and, after one or two years, be

forced to spend several hundred dollars to reconstruct the building to eliminate white ants.

Serious damage occurs throughout eastern United States, the Gulf states, southwest, the central west and the Pacific coast. Damage by white ants in the "corn belt" is almost as serious as in some of the southern states. Such damage occurs not only in cities but also in rural regions.

White ants of two distinct types are known. Those subterranean in habit burrow through the soil and only attack wood indirectly from the earth, with which they must maintain contact, to obtain the moisture so necessary to their life; they are widely distributed throughout the United States.

Nonsubterranean white ants never burrow in the earth, but attack wood directly; they do not require much moisture and will survive in wood containing less than the 10 per cent. moisture of air dried wood. These "powder-post" white ants are not widely distributed and only occur in that half-moon of country between a slack line from Norfolk, Va., to San Francisco, Cal.

Recently the Bureau of Entomology of the Department of Agriculture has been widely advocating the slight modification of the building regulations of various cities so include simple rules to prevent attack by white ants.

NOTHING in the sky above or the earth beneath stands still—except the mind of the unprogressive busy man; man; it is changeless in a universe of change.

SMITH—"Did I leave an umbrella here yesterday?"

Barber—"What kind of umbrella?"

Smith—"Oh, any kind. I'm not fussy."

Barber—"No! No! Gimme my tacks, will ya?"

Hardware Dealer—"How about a nice hammer?"

Barber—"No, just tacks today."

CHURCH TO COST \$4,000,000; PLANS STATED

Chartres Gothic Motif for Baptist Edifice in New York

ARCHITECTS VIEW FAMED BUILDINGS

Tour European Cities—Building Will be Simple and Sturdy

CATHEDRAL NOT COPIED

After sitting out and attempting to adapt various motifs, Mr. Collins wrote, "it was found that Chartres Cathedral lent itself best to this particular church. It must not be assumed that Chartres Cathedral has in any sense been copied."

TOWER TO HOUSE CARILLON

The tower is the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial to house the carillon now at Park Avenue church. Four bells will be added to the present fifty-three, and it then will have more than any other in the world. It will weigh more than any other.

AUDITORIUM TO SEAT 2,400

The entrance through the tower base will continue as a cloister from Riverside to Claremont Avenue. To the north of the entrance will be the main auditorium and to the south the chapel. The auditorium, seating 2,400, is to follow closely the lines of the interior of the Albi Cathedral in southern France, with a span of sixty feet and a clear height to the ridge of the vault of 100 feet. The interior will be of stone.

SALAMANCA SETTING

The architects derived their precedent for the treatment of the chapel in early style and the church auditorium proper in later style from what Mr. Collins described as "the charming effect produced by the proximity of the old and new cathedrals at Salamanca."

Will Extend Power Lines To Colpitts, A. Co.

SALISBURY, Dec. 29.—It is understood that when Spring opens the New Brunswick Power Company will extend the Hydro Line from Salisbury to Colpitts, a distance of some 5 or 6 miles into Albert County, New Brunswick, as a result of the necessary supply of cedar poles to be distributed along the proposed route.

VENOT, BAXTER URGE ALL UNITE FOR MARITIMES

Continued from Page 3. There are no coal mines in the Provinces of Ontario and Quebec. A considerable portion of the coal used in these two provinces comes from Pennsylvania and Virginia mines, the much shorter haul giving these states a decided advantage over the mines of Alberta and Nova Scotia.

PORT NATIONALIZATION

"The nationalization of our port is just one of these fundamentals, upon which I need not enlarge at this time. Suffice it to state that I counted no less than nine steamers anchored in the stream on Christmas morning, all of them annually importing over a long and expensive railway haul upwards of seven million dollars' worth of agricultural products which can be grown here to the highest advantage you are able to grasp something of the situation, a situation which reflects itself to the most definite detriment of all business activities within the province."

GOOD LOOKED FOR

"Already, however, some encouraging progress has rewarded our efforts and important results from the big conference of farmers and business men, to be held here during the month of February and organized by our board, are confidently expected."

TRAVELERS CAN HELP

"As representatives of the leading manufacturing and wholesale organizations situated in various parts of the province, considering the fact that your activities extend over a great portion of the territory, you, in turn, in daily contact with all classes of business men, can do much to assist various boards in this their supreme effort to include in the minds of all the utmost necessity of standing together as one man and insisting upon obtaining our rights."

PROGRAM GIVEN

During the evening several sketches and songs were given by members of the association. "Sample Room Suite and Her Boy Friend" was put over in great style by Jack McQuarrie and W. A. Fowler. This sketch made a good hit, and the entertainers were brought forth for several encores. Solo by R. C. Holden and James Griffiths were much enjoyed. A violin selection by Willard McDonald was one of the features, and the Victoria male quartette was heard in several excellent numbers. The members of the quartette are Eugene Mott, G. W. McAuley, Hayward Sparks and John W. Math.

PARLIAMENT TO DISCUSS ENTIRE FUEL PROBLEM

Production of Coke Likely to be Encouraged—Freight Rates

OTTAWA, Dec. 29.—The fuel problem has always been a more or less pressing one in Canada but it has become a prominent place in the winter of the Dominion Parliament. The speech from the Throne intimated that legislation would be introduced to further encourage the production of coke from Canadian coal. There is a question of freight rates on coal from Alberta and the Maritime Provinces before the Board of Railway Commissioners and the Tariff Advisory Board has a reference asking for increased protection on certain classes of coal.

Use of Gasoline Tractors Is Growing

FREDERICTON, N. B., Dec. 29.—Gasoline tractors are slowly coming into general use throughout this province, replacing horses in connection with winter logging operations, according to A. T. Murchie, chief scaler of the Department of Lands and Mines. Attempts have also been made to use steam tractors, but while these proved successful on straight hauls, considerable difficulty was experienced in the woods and they have been largely abandoned.

Manitoba House To Open On February 3

WINNIPEG, Man., Dec. 29.—The first session of the Manitoba legislature of Manitoba will open on Feb. 3, it was announced by Premier John Bracken today. An important legislative program awaits the consideration of the members, amendments to the provincial liquor laws and immigration policy being among the most controversial.

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Bricklayers Get Raise At Toronto

TORONTO, Dec. 29.—Bricklayers and stone masons in Toronto received an increase in wages of \$1 a day for a period commencing May 1, 1927, and ending Dec. 31, 1928. The new rate is \$125 an hour for an eight-hour day. The union bricklayers, as a result of the agreement, receive the highest wage rate of local trade unions.

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HEAR OF ASSEMBLY HELD IN FINLAND

Boys' Parliament at Sackville Hears of Great Gathering at Helsinki

SACKVILLE, Dec. 29.—One of the most important sessions of the Maritime Boys' Parliament was held here tonight when James Fay, of Bridgetown, N. S., presented his report as representative of parliament at the World's Youth's Conference held at Helsinki, Finland, in August last, when 1,500 delegates were present and 50 countries were represented.

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FOR NATIONAL PARLIAMENT

A resolution supporting the idea of a boys' national parliament for 1927 was introduced by Renforth Loggie, of Chatham, and supported by Corly Mackay, of New Waterford; Douglas Breen, opposition leader, and Carl Wilson, premier.

TO SHOW PUBLIC

At the afternoon session George Foster, Fredericton, introduced a resolution promoting the idea of holding a demonstration night to set forth to the public the actual work and result of the Taxis program. This was supported by George McKenzie, Westville; Keir Duggan, Kensington, P. E. I.; Harold Murray, Fredericton; Frank Hood, Yarmouth; Fred Hamann, Pomeroy Ridge; Warren Key, River John, and James Fay, Bridgetown.

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No Interference By French In China

PARIS, Dec. 28.—France intends to abstain from any interference in China's internal affairs. This is the sense of the instructions sent this afternoon to the French diplomatic representatives at Washington, London, Brussels, Peking, Hong Kong, Hanoi and Lisbon. At the same time, M. Berthelot, under-secretary of the Foreign Office, gave similar assurances to the Chinese Minister in Paris. It is considered at the foreign office that hasty recognition of the Canton government would confirm the state of secession in China and cause trouble in both the northern and southern forces.

MRS. JOHN THOBURN DIES

OTTAWA, Dec. 29.—Mrs. John Thoburn, one of the founders of the Women's Missionary Society of the Presbyterian Church in Canada, died here today in her 92nd year. She had been ill only two weeks. Mrs. Thoburn was the widow of the late John Thoburn, former principal of the Ottawa Collegiate Institute. She was born at Yarmouth, N. S., the daughter of Dr. Henry H. Sarish.

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Stores open 8.30 a.m. Close 6 p.m. Friday 10 p.m.

Men's Sport Sweaters. Suitable For All Sports Uses. Heavy Roll Collar and Adjustable Collar in pullover styles. Prices \$4.50 to \$7. Several weights and grades in white, camel, scarlet, burnt amber and navy blue. The popular Windbreaker style. Prices \$3.50 to \$9. Shown in the newest designs and color combinations. A good assortment to select from.

Fashionable Fur Coats. Hudson Seal Coats with light and dark grey squirrel puffy collar extending to waist line and regular sleeves, straight line models, two button fronts and nicely lined with fancy crepe. Also a good assortment of plain Seal Coats in three different models. Ranging in price from \$290 up. Pastel Lamb Coats—in small and medium curl, plain, skunk and grey squirrel trimmed with cuff to correspond. Chapel Seal Coats—in same style as Hudson Seal. Always popular—The Muskrat Coat, in straight, diagonal, bias, or round cut. Full puffy collar and straight sleeves, all nicely lined and finished. Also a good assortment of Iceland Beaver Coats, 42 and 45 inches long. (Fur Dept.—Second Floor.)

English Ripple and Mollerton Cloths. IN PLAIN COLORS—39 IN. WIDE—65c. YD. Suitable for ladies' or children's kimonos or bathgowns. Colors, Helio, Copen, Jack Rose, Cardinal, Pink, Sky and Ivory. Fancy Robe Cloth, in the newest patterns and colorings. 27 in. wide 48c., \$1 yard 36 in. wide 80c., \$1.10, \$1.25 yard (Wash Goods Dept.—Ground Floor.)

Children's Wearables. FOR SLEEPING AND WAKING HOURS. Flannelette Nightdresses—Ages 2 to 16 years. Very good quality at 75c. and \$1.25. Children's White Fleece-Lined Sleepers—Just arrived—Ages 2 to 8 years. Prices \$1.15 to \$1.70. Flannelette Bloomers—Colors, white, pink, blue and peach. Ages 4 to 12 years. Price 45c. a pair. Children's Cap with Scarf to match—Brush wool, very smart. Colors, blue, sand and brown. \$1.25 and \$1.75 per set. Serge Navy Botany Skirts, with detachable waists. 6 to 14 years. Price \$4.25, also at \$1.85. Gymnasium Bloomers—Good full pleats. 6 to 12 years. Prices \$3 and \$4.25. Skirt Bloomers—Navy, 4 to 14 years. Price \$1.75. Children's Knitted Suits, for small boy or girl, 2 to 5 yrs. Price \$3.75. Sweater, Cap and Pullover Gaiters, in pretty colors. Prices \$5.50 to \$8.25. (Children's Dept.—Second Floor.)

Mid-Season Sale of Boys' Warm Overcoats. ODDS AND BROKEN LINES. A grouping together of about 50 Overcoats in half and full belted makes, all full back models in accord with the prevailing styles. Just a few oddments left from a busy season's selling. Youths' Overcoats, in sizes 10 to 17 years. Former prices \$13.50 to \$23.50. Now \$7.50, \$12, \$13.50, \$16.50. Juvenile sizes for ages 3 to 9 years. Former prices \$13.75 and \$15.50. Now \$10 and \$12. A timely offering of good warm coats at reduced prices for the zero weather to come during January and February. (Men's Clothing Dept.—Second Floor.)

Fur Trimmed Coats. Going Friday \$49.50. Balance of our stock of the better type garments, including Fine Needlepoints and Velveteens with collars and cuffs of Sable, Opussum or Squirrel. Fully silk lined and the highest quality tailoring. Colors include Simbad, Black, Grey and Claret. In the lot sizes 16 to 44. Regular values to \$85. Sale, Friday, \$49.50. (Costume Dept.—Second Floor.) On account of New Year's falling off Saturday, our stores will be open Friday evening until 10 p.m.

Bargain Table Specials. ALL DAY FRIDAY. White Corset Covers 15c. to 50c. Princess Slips—Rayon Cloth, all shades \$1.49. Princess Slips—Pongee and Fuji Silk \$1.98. Bloomers—Striped Dimity, Voiles, etc. 50c., 75c., \$1. Pink Brassieres (longerline) 3 for \$1. Also oddments in Underwear, Gowns, Pyjamas, etc. Moirette Underskirts, good \$1.95 each (Whitewar Dept.—Ground Floor.)

Dress Sale. Friday \$5.90. Mostly Wool Faille fabrics in straight line styles with inverted pleats in skirts. Colors include Navy, Copen, Sand and Black. Sizes 16, 18, 20, 38, 40. Special Friday, \$5.90. (Costume Dept.—Second Floor.)

Reasonable Hosiery. Silk and Wool Hose—All good colors. Sizes 8 1/2 to 10 in. Price 75c. pair. Fancy Wool Hose—Black-white, grey-white, fawn-white. Sizes 8 1/2 to 10 in. \$1.25 pair. (Hosiery Dept.—Ground Floor.)

Manchester Robertson Allison Limited. KING STREET • GERMAIN STREET • MARKET SQUARE

Social Personal and Club News

Hundreds More Are Given Happy Time At Christmas Tree Entertainment Events

Nine of the Sunday schools of the local churches enjoyed Christmas entertainments yesterday afternoon and evening...

ST. JAMES. The primary department of St. James' Sunday school had entertainment in the schoolroom in the afternoon when the children had a thoroughly happy time...

ST. JOHN'S (STONE) CHURCH. There was a large gathering of the children and many of their parents at the Christmas entertainment of Stone church Sunday school in the evening...

AT EAST SAINT JOHN. A very successful Christmas tree and entertainment was held at the United church, East Saint John, last evening...

FAIRVILLE BAPTIST. The Fairville Baptist Sunday school entertainment was held in the evening and there was a beautifully decorated tree...

ST. JAMES. St. James' Sunday school had its annual Christmas entertainment yesterday afternoon and evening...

HEINZ OVEN-BAKED BEANS with tomato sauce. Even before you open the tin, you know Heinz Oven-Baked Beans are oven-baked...

Plans For Y. W. C. A. Maritime Ladies Training Course; To Be The First In Eastern Canada

THE Y. W. C. A. Maritime Leaders training course, which will be conducted in Moncton from Jan. 3 to 13, will be the first of these courses held in Eastern Canada...

COBURG STREET CHRISTIAN. The Coburg street Christian church held its annual Christmas entertainment last evening in the Bible school rooms...

MISS POORE TO ATTEND. Miss E. Poore, present general secretary of the Saint John Y. W. C. A., will attend the training course...

KNOX CHURCH. The annual Christmas tree in Knox Presbyterian Sunday school last evening was an entertainment by the children...

ST. MATTHEWS. A very interesting Christmas entertainment and program was enjoyed at St. Matthews' school last evening...

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH. A very effective and most impressive presentation of Henry Van Dyke's "The Other Wise Men" was given in past form by the members of St. Luke's Sunday school last evening...

Weddings

Irving Wright. The St. Catherine's Standard, Ontario, has the following of interest to New Brunswickers...

Paris-Price. A quiet wedding was solemnized at the Mansie, Doaktown, N. B., on the evening of December 27, when Rev. Alexander Pirih united in marriage Miss Ruby Mona Lenore Price...

SENDS GREETINGS. The teachers, who were guests of Lord Beaverbrook during the past summer in a tour of the British Isles, received beautiful Christmas greeting cards from Lady Beaverbrook on Christmas Day...

Social Notes. Mrs. Hammond J. Evans and her daughters, the Misses Dorothy and Marjorie Evans, were at home at their residence, 138 Duke street, yesterday afternoon from 4 until 6 o'clock...

THOSE IN CAST. Among those taking part were Hazel Titus, as the wounded man; Miss Muriel Thompson, as the mother; Miss Muriel Seely, as the Madonna; Edward Glass, Francis Armstrong and Hazel Titus as wise men...

Gifts Presented To Rev. Milton Addison. Rev. Milton Addison, formerly of Saint John and now of Fredericton, was the guest of friends during the Christmas season...

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London House. F. W. Daniel & Co., Ltd. Head King Street. Wearing Apparel With the Deep Interest of Goodness and Price for Friday Before Holiday. Store open Friday evening until 10 p.m.

Sub-Standards of \$1.25 Silk and Wool Stockings Friday 69c. a pair. Other Women's Underthings of Special Interest—Quality All Right—Special purchases.

Women's Winter Underthings Special. Warm "Velva" Combinations, sleeveless, with bloomer knee. Special Friday 98c. each.

A Special in Girls' Low Priced Sweaters. A little lot of 24 Girls' Sweaters, sizes 6 to 12 years, and colors saxe, cardinal, and fawn.

Well Worth While To Buy Two or Three Pairs—Rayon Bloomers. \$1.75 Quality at 98c. pair. A mill purchase of sub-standards Rayon Bloomers, all delightful colors and the imperfections don't amount to a hill of beans.

Warm Winter Flannelette Wear. Flannelette Bloomers, white and colors. heavy quality. Friday . . . 49c. a pair.

Have You Seen The "Just-to-clasp"? It's a new pretty elastic side girde for slim figures—made factory satin stripe coutil.

A "Toss-up" in \$5 Hats, \$1.95 each. Winter Hats of Velvet, Silk or Velour, choice of a variety of shapes.

Slick Up After Christmas with JAPA-LAC. The household wear-and-tear of winter usually reaches its climax about Christmas, especially if there are romping, healthy kiddies in the family circle.

YULE TREES ONLY SMALL DRAIN ON FOREST WEALTH

Forestry Expert Speaks of Cutting of Christmas Trees

OTTAWA, Dec. 30.—Forestry experts and conservationists in general regard the use of Christmas trees as an insignificant drain on the country's forest wealth.

AN EXPERT'S VIEW.

Dr. C. D. Howe Dean of Forestry at the University of Toronto, when interviewed stated: "It is easy to explain the concern of tree growers and forest conservationists over the use and particularly the export of Christmas trees. It is a response to sentiment and the trade is easily discernible for it enters every home."

SLAYING FOR HIRE OF \$137 IS CONFESSED

Chicago Prisoner Admits Murder Done at Bidding of Woman

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—Loren Patrick, who the police charge was hired for \$137.50 to kill a man so that the victim's common law wife might collect his insurance and return to her husband, has confessed the slaying.

SHOES GIVE CLUE

353 MURDERS IN CHICAGO.

Chicago, Dec. 29.—Things are getting better. There have been only 353 murders here this year. Last year there were 394.

FLOODS IN AUSTRALIA.

10 DIE, 23 HURT IN CHILE CRASH

SANTIAGO, Chile, Dec. 29.—Ten persons were killed and 23 injured in a train wreck in a tunnel near Lota, Southern Chile, says an official report received here today by the government.

Wilcox's Annual Mid-Winter CLEARING SALE. The Sale You're All Looking For STARTS FRIDAY, 9 a.m.

PARIS 5% BONDS An Investment With Fortune-Making Possibilities (LOAN OF 1919)

WE RECOMMEND City of Paris 5% Bonds of 1919. We advise the immediate purchase of these securities which may be bought at a fraction of their normal exchange value.

These bonds are payable in French money (francs), just as Canadian municipal and American municipal bonds are payable in Canadian money (dollars) and American money (dollars).

French money (francs) because of the conditions arising out of the great war, is cheap in terms of Canadian or American money.

Before the war French Government or Municipal Bonds were quoted at par. The French investor paid 10,000 francs for a 10,000-franc bond.

Today the French franc is considerably below par. It is worth around 4 cents. Consequently 10,000 French francs are worth around \$400.00 in a dollar currency today.

The total amount of the City of Paris 5% loan of 1919, the bonds of which we recommend to foreign investors, was issued in denominations of 500 francs.

Paris bonds are selling around 70% of their par value. A 500-franc bond costs about 350 francs. Twenty 500-franc bonds or a unit of 10,000 francs therefore costs 7,000 francs.

At the present time we are selling City of Paris 5% bonds of 1919 at the rate of \$1.00 per 500-franc bond. The price of twenty 500-franc bonds is therefore \$20.00.

These bonds are expected to go to par in terms of francs before very long owing to the increasing demand. In that event twenty 500-franc bonds will have the same value as 10,000 francs French money.

The franc should sell at 5 cents within the near future. The value of 10,000 francs French money will then be \$500.00. Every investment of \$20.00 in Paris bonds made today will show a net profit of \$220.00.

From 5 cents per franc to 10 cents per franc will be a natural step. The value of 10,000 francs will then be \$1,000.00. Twenty 500-franc City of Paris bonds will be worth \$1,000.00. Today the same number of bonds may be bought for \$20.00. Every investment made today will show a net profit of \$720.00 when the franc is at 10 cents.

At 15 cents per franc the value of a 500-franc Paris bond quoted at par will be \$75.00. Twenty 500-franc bonds will be worth \$1,500.00. Today twenty 500-franc bonds can be bought for \$20.00, and this investment will therefore show a net profit of \$1,320.00 when the franc is worth 15 cents.

When the franc is again at par it will be worth 19.3 cents, consequently every 500-franc Paris bond quoted at par (500 francs per 500-franc bond) will be worth \$96.50. Every investment made at the present price will have increased in value by \$82.50.

City of Paris 5% bonds are gilt-edge municipal securities, legal investments for trust funds and savings banks in France just as City of Toronto and City of Montreal bonds in Canada, and City of New York and City of Chicago bonds in the United States, are legal investments for trust funds and savings banks.

Listed on the principal stock exchanges in France and traded in throughout the financial centres of the world, City of Paris bonds always find a ready market. They can be sold again instantly for spot cash at any time through our house.

We recommend City of Paris 5% bonds not only for the opportunities for profit which they present, but also because of the attractive interest income they return. This interest is paid by means of coupons which can be cashed at any bank in the world at the prevailing rate of exchange.

Every twenty 500-franc bonds (10,000 francs) of the City of Paris 5% Loan return an interest income of 500 francs per annum. This interest is paid semi-annually, 250 francs on February 1st and 250 francs on August 1st.

As the value of the franc rises these interest coupons also increase in value, thus giving investors a larger yield on the original investment.

The interest coupons can be converted into American or Canadian money at any bank in North America. We cash interest coupons for clients without charge.

Another exceptionally attractive feature of these bonds is the provision for the payment of various bonuses at the drawings which take place six times a year until the loan has been completely redeemed (1926).

France is now pursuing a policy of deflation which can have only one result: a rising exchange rate.

The recuperative powers of the French people were well established after the Franco-Prussian war. Although burdened with huge indemnities France quickly put her financial house in order and paid off all her obligations.

French Government bonds which had depreciated to 7% of their normal value during the period of depression, rapidly recovered their losses and soared above par. They will do the same again.

The record of the exchanges of other countries in recent years substantiates the belief that great nations always recover from their losses and financial depression caused by a war.

We were to consider the Canadian twenty-five cent piece as the country's monetary unit, as has been done with the English shilling in the past. Notes in circulation are many say that the value of 10,000 Canadian twenty-five pieces has increased by \$375.00 since the Armistice.

The Swiss franc, the English pound, the Swedish krona, the Dutch guilder and the Danish krone have risen to par. The Spanish peseta, the Japanese yen and the Norwegian krone are quoted so close to par as to make a purchase of them unattractive now.

It will be admitted that France's losses in the late war were greater than those of any of the countries mentioned above, consequently the recovery of her money is taking longer, but there can be no doubt that 10,000 French francs will again be worth \$1,930.00.

5,960,000 FRANCS EVERY YEAR IN BONUSES. One 500-franc Bond A Year is Redeemed At 1,000,000 Francs, (\$50,000.00 With The Franc at 5 Cents, \$193,000.00 With The Franc At Par) MANY OTHER BIG BONUSES ARE PAID

Since the Armistice the following recoveries in the value of various exchanges have taken place: The value of 10,000 Spanish pesetas has increased by \$408.00.

The value of 10,000 Swiss francs has increased by \$420.00. The value of 10,000 English shillings has increased by \$768.00.

The value of 10,000 Swedish kronas has increased by \$915.00. The value of 10,000 Dutch guilders has increased by \$1,020.00.

The value of 10,000 Japanese yen has increased by \$1,150.00. The value of 10,000 Argentine pesos has increased by \$1,260.00.

The value of 10,000 Danish kronas has increased by \$1,300.00. The value of 10,000 Norwegian kronas has increased by \$1,405.00.

Even Canadian dollars suffered a fairly severe depreciation after the war. If, for the purpose of illustration, we were to consider the Canadian twenty-five cent piece as the country's monetary unit, as has been done with the English shilling in the past, Notes in circulation are many say that the value of 10,000 Canadian twenty-five pieces has increased by \$375.00 since the Armistice.

The natural result of these measures has been, and will continue to be, a rising rate of exchange for the French franc.

It is, therefore, a question of time only before every 500-franc City of Paris bond will again be worth \$96.50, or every twenty 500-franc bonds \$1,930.00.

We recommend City of Paris 5% bonds while they are a genuine investment bargain. The table below shows the present prices and future values of various units of Paris bonds. These prices include every expense.

Now, while they are still comparatively low, is the time to buy these excellent securities. Use the order form provided. Sale will be confirmed upon receipt of order with remittance to cover amount of purchase. Bonds are forwarded by registered and insured mail.

The present prices are subject to immediate acceptance. Invest in Paris bonds before they are out of reach. We will advise you when you can sell and take your profits.

CITY OF PARIS 5% BONDS OF 1919. PRESENT PRICES AND PROFIT POSSIBILITIES. Table with columns: AMOUNT OR BONDS, DENOMINATIONS, TOTAL FACE VALUE, PRESENT COST OF BONDS, VALUE OF BONDS QUOTED AT PAR.

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For all those who have not yet given their friends Christmas Gifts, here is a chance to do so at greatly reduced prices.

Men's and Boys' Department. Our complete stock of Xmas goods to be cleared out at 25 per cent. less than regular prices. Includes lists for Men's Suits, Overcoats, Raincoats, Pullover Leather Mitts, Windbreaker Sweaters, Work Pants, Boys' Suits, Pants, Underwear, Sox, Sweaters, Gloves, Umbrellas, Mackinaw and Reffer Coat, All Wool Golf Hose, Broadcloth Shirts.

Ladies' Department. Ladies' Coats, Dresses, Suits, Girls' Coats, Dresses, Scarves, Umbrellas, Corsets, Silk Hose. Includes images of clothing.

These are only a few of our many bargains. You can save from \$2.00 to \$5.00 on every \$10.00 you spend.

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The Evening Times-Star

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SAINT JOHN'S HOME PAPER

SAINT JOHN, N. B., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1926

PHONE MAIN 2417, CONNECTING ALL DEPTS.

ALL THE BEST FEATURES EVERY DAY.

C. P. R. PLANS TO SPEND \$700,000 ON NEW BRUNSWICK DIVISION

APPROPRIATION OF \$450,000 ABOVE 1926 FIGURES

Announcement of Details is Made at Headquarters Here

FOR TURNTABLE AT BAY SHORE \$46,400

Balancing Work on Line Calls for Largest Sum, \$169,000

APPROXIMATELY \$700,000 will be spent in improvements and maintenance on the New Brunswick division during 1927, it was announced this morning at the headquarters of the company here. This compares with \$450,000 spent for the same purpose last year.

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Includes: Replacement of 20-foot turntable at Bay Shore yards with a 50-foot table, so as to handle larger engines \$46,400; Balancing 25 miles between Saint John and McAdam, 40 miles on the Shogomogus sub-division, 169,000; Repairing of culverts, 27,965; Extension to McAdam yard, 6,700; New machinery for shops at McAdam, 8,700; Section house at Aroscook, 4,800; Two-stall addition to engine house at Aroscook, 13,700; Renewals of light-house wharf at St. Andrews with crew-station piling, 4815; Gravelly water supply for Slickney station, 2,560; Five-stall addition to engine house at Aroscook, 56,200; Filling in trestle bridge at mileage 57.42 on Shogomogus sub-division, 5,200; Filling in trestle bridge at mileage 23.15 on Edmundston sub-division, 10,400.

Calls From Outiders On City's Charitable

The usual number of stone-breakers and middle-aged men are again confronting the householding public and particularly the clergyman of the city this winter season, according to a statement made today. Philanthropic organizations and patriotic societies are likewise receiving appeals also. A young man who called at a clergyman's home this morning, it was said, might be considered a typical case. He was a Nova Scotia boy of good appearance and address, and came west with the harvesters. The frequency of rainy spells laid the men off from work to the east and two forced-steal railway rides most of the journey.

Cathedral Children At General Communion

Tomorrow morning at the 7 o'clock mass in the Cathedral there will be general communion of the children who made the Saint Alloysius promises some time ago and whose names were sent to Rome. The observance here will coincide with service in the Prateral City at which the names will be placed at the burial place of St. Alloysius there.

Mrs. Bessie McIlveen Dies In Hospital

The death of Mrs. Bessie McIlveen occurred yesterday at the General Public Hospital. She was the widow of J. Percival McIlveen and is survived by two sons and two daughters, her mother, one sister and two brothers. The funeral will be held from the residence of her mother, Mrs. B. H. Riley, 287 Duke street, West Saint John at 8:30 o'clock on Friday afternoon.

DIED THIS MORNING

Early this morning in the Saint John Infirmary, after a short illness of the late Michael and Mary White passed away. He was born and lived all his life in the north end of this city. Three brothers and one sister survive. The sister is Mrs. Alice Hucksin, of Upper Canada, and Terrence and John, of this city. The funeral will be held on Saturday afternoon at 2:30 from the residence of his brother, John 381 City Lane, to the Church of the Assumption.

IN MEMORIAM

KAY-In loving memory of my dear mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Kay, who departed this life Dec. 29, 1926. Your memory is as dear today as it was at the hour you passed away. (Daughter) MISS CHAS. NISLOW.

STACKHOUSE-In loving memory of my dear father, R. B. Stackhouse, who departed this life December 30, 1926. Four years have passed and still we miss you, Father, dear. (Sons) MOTHER AND CHILDREN.

Suggestion Is Made To Give Harbor Master More Time For Main Duties

Local News

ARE CARED FOR. William Killen, aged 41, and William Thornton, aged 66, of England, sought shelter in the Police Station last night.

CHECK FOR \$50 GIVEN. W. H. Coleman, secretary-treasurer of the Home for Incapacitated, received a check for \$50 from G. S. Mayes, his annual contribution at this time of year for the work of the institution.

TWO COLLISIONS. Automobile No. 19-121, owned and operated by Dr. J. R. Nugent, and street car No. 81, in charge of Motor-man S. Vail, collided yesterday afternoon in Main street. The auto suffered a bent fender. A service truck collided with a water-bus street car at the corner of Douglas avenue and Main street last evening. The rear mud guard of the truck was broken.

NICELY ENTERTAINED. Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Jenkins, 196 Tower street, West Saint John, entertained on Tuesday evening at their home, in honor of Thomas Murphy of Saskatoon, formerly of Saint John. He is in the employ of the Canadian Pacific Express and has not visited his former home for two years. Bridge was played at four tables, and refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. F. S. A. McMullin. After bridge, music and dancing were enjoyed. The party was solo, Mrs. Miss Daisy Smith, Mrs. Vincent Perry, Duncan McNeill and F. S. A. McMullin. A special guest program was awarded to Mr. Murphy by the host and hostess.

HAVE NICE PROGRAM. Event Enjoyed at Reformed Baptist Church. The annual concert and Christmas treat of the Reformed Baptist Sunday school was held Wednesday evening at the church. After Scripture reading and prayer by the pastor, Rev. P. J. Trafton, the following exercises were held: Opening song and chorus by the choir; recitations, Winifred Nickerson, Marguerite Steele, Ruth Nickerson, Laura Parks, and a duet by Dick Nickerson, Mayes Cosman, Jay Griffin, Bertha Nickerson, Raymond Parks and Norman Trafton, solo, Mrs. Trafton, with Miss T. Parlicie accompanist; solo, Miss W. Nickerson's song and chorus, "O Beautiful Bethlehem"; by the choir; exercises by Laura Parks, Lillian Howe and Ernest Eskey; Madrigals by Mrs. Baber and a duet by Madrigal Cosman and Trafton, called "Speed Away" closing piece, "Crown Him King."

BIRTHS. NILVE-To Mr. and Mrs. M. Nilve (nee Ethel Selick), Brooklyn, N. Y., a daughter, Dec. 29, 1926. CUMMINGS-At the Evangeline Hospital, Dec. 29, 1926, Gordon H. Cummings, 23 Carmarthen street, a son, Gerald Gordon.

MARRIAGES. DOW-CATLEY-At German Baptist Church, Tuesday, Dec. 29, 1926, Dr. S. S. Poole, Dorothy Marguerite, daughter of Charles H. and Mrs. Cate, to Jay Neal Dow, son of the late S. H. Dow and Mrs. Dow.

DEATHS. GALLANT-At the General Public Hospital, Friday, at 2 p. m. from pleurisy, the youngest son of the late Michael and Mary White, leaving three brothers and one sister to mourn. FUNERAL-From the residence of her daughter, Mrs. H. P. Robertson, 155 Queen street, Friday, at 2:30 p. m. ELLIOTT-At his residence, in Coldbrook, Dec. 29, 1926, George C. Elliott in his 74th year, leaving four sons and four daughters, one brother and one sister. (Andrews papers please copy.) FUNERAL-From St. John Baptist Church, Paradise row, Service at 2:30 p. m. WHITE-At the Saint John Infirmary, after a short illness, of pneumonia, Bernard, youngest son of the late Michael and Mary White, leaving three brothers and one sister to mourn. FUNERAL-Saturday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock from the residence of his brother, John, 331 City Lane, West Saint John, to the Church of the Assumption. MCLIVEN-Suddenly, at the General Public Hospital, Dec. 29, 1926, Mrs. Bessie McIlveen, widow of J. Percival McIlveen, leaving two sons and two daughters, mother, one sister and two brothers to mourn. FUNERAL-From her mother's residence, Mrs. R. H. Riley, 287 Duke street, West, at 8:30 p. m. Friday, Dec. 31.

SEVERAL HAVE BEEN TALKING THEATRE PLANS. A revival of the report that Saint John is to have another theatre cannot be traced to any definite source, although it is known that suggestions of this nature have passed between outside parties and local property owners at different times during the last two years. At present, it is said, there are four properties mentioned, all of them having frontage on Charlotte street, and two of them corner blocks with frontages on other streets.

PROPERTY EXAMINED. One report is that the T. Collins estate property in North Market street, on Charlotte street, the latter formerly known as the Furlong Building, has been under negotiation by the Marcus Loew Inc. theatrical interests of United States and Canada, a group of vaudeville and picture managers owning houses across the continent, with the F. G. Spencer interests here for some years owned property adequate to the requirements of the theatre, also in Charlotte street. This land has been graded and excavated, it is said, so that its owners felt warranted to do so, according to a statement made by the president of the company. There have also been rumors of a new theatre in the vicinity of the present Opera House in Union street, and a neighborhood house serving the North End public. The site of the old Gem Theatre, in Waterloo street, is the property of the F. G. Spencer interests, so it was said today there did not seem to be any lack of properties for the extension of this form of enterprise, should conditions warrant.

Talking with several responsible theatrical executives today, The Times-Star was informed that the last year in Saint John has been very backward for the show business. Two managers, right to an ambitious project in the "On-To-The-Bay" Association, said there was an El Dorado, as conditions for the last few years had not by any means been satisfactory.

BOARD LOOKING TO FUTURE WITH HOPE

The December bulletin of the Board of Trade of Saint John, just issued to the members, contains a comprehensive review of the activities of the board for the month. It calls on the members to look forward to the future with hope and states that the prospect is brighter than for some years.

Reports of the board show that the local merchants had a good Christmas trade, better than it was a year ago. Reference is made to the visit of Rankin Leslie, vice-president of the "On-To-The-Bay" Association, and his message concerning the benefits which the Maritimes might expect from the completion of the Hudson's Bay railway and the opening up of a water route to Fort Nelson.

The importance of a trade treaty between Canada and Cuba is also set forth in the bulletin.

IN BIRTHDAY HONOR

About 20 boy friends of Master Francis Coughlan, son of Police Constable and Mrs. Walter Coughlan, 270 Prince Edward street, called at his home last evening and tendered him a surprise party on his ninth birthday. The evening was pleasantly spent in games, and Mrs. Coughlan served nice refreshments. Many useful gifts were received.

Saint John Police Force Fifty-Eight Strong; Names, Rank and Appointment Date

Local News

FOLLOWING recent changes in the police force, the following will be of interest as showing the standing of the department at present, with names and rank of the men who make up the force:

- Rank, name and date of appointment: Chief, J. J. Smith, March, 1883. Inspector, J. Scott, January, 1900. Sergt. Det., J. T. Power, February, 1919. Sergt., George R. Baxter, October, 1886. Sergt., Charles H. Rankine, July, 1897. Sergt., Fred. L. O'Neill, November, 1910. Sergt., R. P. Dykeman, February, 1914. Sergt., Horace McLeese, August, 1914. Sergt., S. P. Spinyne, December, 1914. Sergt., Thomas Sullivan, March, 1917. Sergt., Frank Corvee, July, 1923. Detective, Patrick F. Biddiscombe, December, 1916. Detective, John H. Saunders, February, 1919. Detective, Herbert J. Kilpatrick, May, 1922. Deskman, John O'Neill. Constable, S. D. Hamm, May, 1891. Constable, James Semple, May, 1891. Constable, Thomas McFarland, August, 1908. Constable, James McNamee, August, 1909. Constable, William A. Gibbs, November, 1912. Constable, E. D. Howard, December, 1913. Constable, A. S. Gill, February, 1915. Constable, James R. Corner, October, 1916. Constable, Walter Coughlan, December, 1917. Constable, J. F. Sheehan, August, 1918. Constable, Walter McNeill, March, 1918. Constable, H. B. Young, June, 1918. Constable, Fred Gaudet, July, 1918. Constable, Fred Lob, August, 1918. Constable, George Totten, January, 1919. Constable, William Garnett, January, 1919. Constable, F. P. Killen, February, 1919. Constable, John A. McElhinney, April, 1919. Constable, Edwin I. Thomas, April, 1919. Constable, R. E. Storey, May, 1920. Constable, Andrew Duffy, May, 1920. Constable, William H. McCauley, August, 1920. Constable, H. D. Hatt, September, 1920. Constable, E. L. Hughes, March, 1921. Constable, W. T. Blackwell, April, 1921. Constable, Percy E. Ganter, February, 1922. Constable, D. L. Leard, May, 1922. Constable, L. R. Graham, May, 1922. Constable, A. E. McBrien, August, 1922. Constable, W. J. Quinn, August, 1922. Constable, H. H. Bettle, August, 1922. Constable, C. F. Phinney, December, 1922. Constable, L. A. Durning, December, 1922. Constable, Allan McInnis, September, 1923. Constable, Daniel Dunphy, April, 1924. Constable, George P. Ross, May, 1924. Constable, S. D. Cooper, August, 1924. Constable, S. E. Journeay, April, 1925. Constable, Edmund Corvay, May, 1925. Constable, E. B. Welford, June, 1925. Constable, Wesley Vanwart, February, 1926. Constable, Roy R. Devine, December, 1926.

GOOD TIME GIVEN IN MARKET BUILDING

The Independent Order of Odd-fellows and members of Ruth Lodge, Manchester Unity I. O. O. F., entertained the children of the members at a Christmas treat last evening in their hall, Market Building. Miss Emily Fyfield, by four girls; solo by Roberts Jones; recitation, Marion Kent; dance, Alberta Earle; recitation, Mary Dixon; songs; recitation, Miss Connel; recitation, Donald Jewell; recitation, Freda Clark.

Funerals

The funeral of Samuel J. Lunnon was held this afternoon from his late residence, South Bay. Service was conducted by Rev. H. B. Stothard and interment was in Cedar Hill.

Is Away Again To Peace River District

Walter Wilson, of Peace River town, in the Peace River district, which is 300 miles north of Edmonton, has left en route to his northwestern home after an enjoyable visit to his brother and sister in Union street. He was one of the original settlers in the Peace River district and previous to that was an original Klondiker. Mr. Wilson's truck from Ottawa that he was too late to confer with the members from Peace River, who had gone home for the Christmas season. He then proceeded to Toronto and is now on his way to the Peace River district, a member of the Peace River community and is very optimistic of the prospects of that part of Canada.

PERSONALS

Miss Alice Jackson, accountant with F. S. Thomas, Limited, has returned to duty after having spent the Christmas week-end with her brother at Campobello.

Miss A. Ellsworth, of Pennfield, N. B., was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. William Driscoll, 39 Sewell street, on Tuesday while in the city en route to Fredericton.

Miss Willa Carvell, of Boston, is spending the Christmas vacation with her mother, Mrs. Edith Carvell, Manager Moncton, which was sold the holidays in Montreal.

Miss Gertrude Davis, of Fredericton, is visiting Miss Dorothy Parker here. Miss Minnie Monch, registered nurse, of New York, is the guest of her mother, Mrs. William Monch, Main street, Fairville.

Friends of Mrs. A. Atcheson, of West Saint John, will be pleased to know that she is improving in health after being seriously ill with pneumonia.

Mrs. C. T. Lugin, Elliot row, who has been ill for some time, has gone to a charge of using convulsive language to the police, was fined \$5 in the Police Court yesterday afternoon. He applied to the police for his language.

An Appreciation

THE following appreciation of The Evening Times-Star Empty Stocking Fund was received this morning from Rev. John V. Young, priest in charge, Mission Church, S. John Baptist:

"You certainly are to be heartily congratulated upon your wonderful work in connection with the Stocking Fund, which brought joy and happiness to thousands of our children in the city. I understand I had the largest extremely poor, so you can imagine what it was to have a nice warm pair of stockings and mitts, to say nothing of what the stockings contained. It did one's heart good to see the joy it gave to the children when they received this gift. Thanking you again and again."

CUBAN TRADE TREATY OUTLOOK STATED BETTER

Local News

Consul - General Bonet is Given Powers to Negotiate

Will Pay Visit to SAINT JOHN SOON

Halifax Office of Consulate Merged With That in This City

Dr. Porfirio A. Bonet, Cuban Consul General, at Ottawa, will come to Saint John in the near future to confer with Board of Trade officials, manufacturers and shippers regarding trade with Cuba. Dr. Bonet is now en route to Ottawa from Cuba and will go to Ottawa with full instructions from the Secretary of State of Cuba to negotiate a commercial treaty between Canada and Cuba.

MOVING HALIFAX OFFICE. Speaking of Dr. Bonet's appointment to this post, said this morning that Dr. Bonet will come to Saint John in the near future to confer with local men regarding the treaty.

The Halifax office of the consulate will be closed and together with Nova Scotia and New Brunswick come under Mr. Betancourt's supervision. The entire office effects will be moved here, said.

Spoken of Dr. Bonet's appointment, Mr. Betancourt said that it now looks as though something definite in the matter of the treaty will be arrived at. He said that Dr. Bonet was a man fully qualified to negotiate the treaty and with the instructions now in his possession it was probable that something definite would be arrived at.

RELIEVE HIM OF WORK LOOKING AFTER BILLS

Commissioner Frink Tells Council He is Working on Project

OTHERS EXPRESS FAVORABLE VIEW

Ferry Bills Under Consideration and Objection is Made to One

A SUGGESTION that the harbor master be relieved from the collecting of fees in order to be able to devote more time to the other duties of the office was made this morning by Commissioner Frink. The bills for repairs to the ferry steamer Governor Carleton, amounting to \$10,401.46, were referred to Commissioner Frink, the ferry superintendent and city solicitor for a report.

The ferry superintendent, G. H. Waring, reported against the payment of in item of \$480.89 as not a proper charge against the city. The Board of School Trustees would require \$802.08 on December 30 to pay accounts due at that date and asked that the amounting be paid over to their account. This will be done on the comptroller being satisfied.

HONOR IS PAID E. H. VICKERS AT SUSSEX EVENT

The people of Sussex last evening paid honor to one of their ablest citizens, E. H. Vickers, who is soon to be removed to another sphere of labor and while expressing regret at his departure extended good wishes for future prosperity, at a banquet given him in the Knights of Pythias hall, Sussex.

About 70 of his fellow townsmen met around the festive board to say goodbye to Mr. Vickers.

Banquet and Gold Watch as He Leaves For Regina

Mr. Vickers has been the Maritime manager for the Brewster Machinery Co., and by his genial personality has made many friends in Sussex and other parts of this province. He has been transferred to Regina and will have charge of the Saskatchewan agency of the company. He has always taken an active part in the community life of the town and was for a time alderman at large. He is one of the most enthusiastic supporters of track sports in the province and was a warm supporter of the Sussex hockey team.

Judge Jones, in a short address expressed the appreciation of the Sussex people for the contribution made by Mr. Vickers to the community life and J. D. McKenna made the presentation of a fine gold watch. Addresses were also made by Hon. J. A. Murray, A. J. Brooks, M. L. A., W. H. Hay, manager of the Royal Bank, Dr. S. McDougal and H. H. Reid, alderman-at-large. Music was supplied by the Knights of Pythias orchestra and W. J. Jardine sang a solo.

RALLY IS PLANNED FOR NEW YEAR MORN

New Year's morning at 10:45 the Baptist Sunday schools of the city will hold their annual rally in the Central Baptist church auditorium. Arrangements have been made by various schools to transport children by street car and automobile. A banner is set for the chamberlain's department. If this were done it would give the harbor master more time to devote to other duties in connection with his office.

Case in Chancery

The case of Blakney & Son, Ltd. against F. A. McCully and Simon B. LeBlanc, an action for the recovery of a deed to a property at Leger's Corner, near Moncton, which was sold the night of September of this year, was continued this morning before Justice Grimmer in the Chancery Court. Cross-examination of Hanford Blakney was concluded and evidence given by Sherman Blakney and Corey Blakney, constituting the case for the plaintiff. The defence was opened, and F. A. McCully was on his feet when court took recess until this afternoon.

Figures This Week Exceed Those of Two Years

Saint John bank clearings for this week, which include the business of the final Christmas shopping days, show an increase over those of the last two years. The figures for this week are \$2,283,296; last year, \$2,062,472; in 1924, \$2,178,788. Halifax clearings this week were \$2,446,472; Moncton, \$771,874.

Dokays To Have New Year's Eve Dance

Final arrangements were made last night at a meeting of the committee in charge of the annual New Year's Eve dance of Adria Temple, No. 107, D. O. K. K. The ballroom of Castle Hall, Union street, has been nicely decorated. F. J. Newcombe is the convener of the committee in charge.

IS FINED \$5

Fred Urquhart, arrested a few days ago on a charge of using convulsive language to the police, was fined \$5 in the Police Court yesterday afternoon. He applied to the police for his language.

Harbor Master's Duties

Commissioner Frink said there was a matter which would like to bring to the attention of the council in connection with the harbor duties. He would not bring in a motion just yet, the collection of harbor dues. At present these were collected by the harbor master and he felt that all bills should be sent out from and collected by the chamberlain's department. If this were done it would give the harbor master more time to devote to other duties in connection with his office.

OTHERS' VIEWS

Commissioner Wigmore thought the idea of all collections from the chamberlain's office was a good one. Commissioner Frink said that under the law the chamberlain was the official receiver of all monies due the city. Commissioner Harding said he supposed the harbor master collected the fees as he could do it more readily than the chamberlain's office. He reported that the final bills for the Carleton city hall restoration had been signed on Monday and paid a tribute to the contractors and architect for the way they had carried out their work.

Vacant Rooms Can Be Made To Yield Steady Revenue Through Want Ads

LOST AND FOUND

DON'T WORRY about lost articles. Your ad in this column will find it. Everybody reads the "Lost and Found Column."

LOST—At Foster St. E. 11th street, or vicinity, Christmas morning, one pair tortoise shell glasses. Finder please return to 4 King, M. 4500 or 111 Main street. A. King, M. 4500 or 111 Main street. A. King, M. 4500 or 111 Main street.

FOUND—Born rimmed spectacles in case—Apply Box 39, Times. 12-31

LOST—Stake board of a straight bodied truck, Friday night, between Durham and Union streets—Phone 31, 118. 1-1

FOUND—White male pup, tan spots, M. 1890-21. 12-31

LOST—Brown sweater, with grey mitts attached. Finder please return to 488 Duke street. Phone Main 4100. 12-31

MALE HELP WANTED
THIS COLUMN will find you a good man to buy. Every wide-awake man reads the "Help Wanted Column."

WANTED—Young men to learn shorthand and typewriting. A complete four months course, with stationery, will cost only \$12.50. You begin Jan. 2. Mrs. Currie's Private Class, 112 Wentworth street. 12-31

WANTED—Lobby man. Apply Superior Hotel. 12-31

WANTED—Barber for ladies' work. Apply or write G. G. Parry, care of W. Daniel & Co. 12-31

LEARN BARBER TRADE, only few weeks required. 21 years of successful teaching. Big demand and great opportunity. For further information apply to Mr. Barber, 52 St. Lawrence, Montreal, or 573 Barrington street, Halifax. 12-31

WANTED—Boy with eighth grade education, to learn wholesale dry goods business—Box 9, Times. 12-31

WANTED—Chauffeur. Ford truck, wholesale. Own license, references. Apply—Box N 154, Times Office. 12-31

DRY GOODS MAN WANTED—To manage Dry Goods Departments in two general stores. Experience valuable, but not necessary. Apply Room 13, 108 Prince William street, between 6 and 7 p. m. any evening. 12-31

WANTED—Young men to learn shorthand and typewriting. A complete four months course, with stationery, will cost only \$12.50. You begin Jan. 2. Mrs. Currie's Private Class, 112 Wentworth street. 12-31

WANTED—Experienced dining room girl for Ten Eyck Hall, 121 Union street. 12-31

WANTED—Nurse girl. Apply 183 Duke. 1-1

WANTED—Superintendent. Apply with references. Laurence, 15, with reference. Superintendent. Apply with references. Laurence, 15, with reference. Superintendent. Apply with references. Laurence, 15, with reference.

GOOD CAPABLE Cooks and Maids all read this column. A few cents will get you efficient help. Apply Room 13, 108 Prince William street, between 6 and 7 p. m. any evening. 12-31

WANTED—Maid in family for light house work and knowledge of cooking, part or whole time. Two in family. Salary and references. Apply Box N 155, Times. 12-31

WANTED—Middle aged woman for general house work. Apply Mrs. Thompson, 21 Sydney street, Saint John, N. B. 12-31

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WANTED—Cook and housemaid, with references. Mrs. G. B. Oland, 152 Douglas Ave. 12-31

WANTED—Short order cook. Apply Union Quick Lunch, 200 Union. 1-1

WANTED—Experienced general maid and nurse-housemaid. Mrs. Teed, 83 Summer street. 12-31

WANTED—Girl for light house work. Apply 15 Harding street, Fairville. 1-1

WANTED—Housemaid. References required. Apply Mrs. M. Edwards, corner Macdonald and Sydney. 12-31

WANTED—Maid for general house work. Family. Two in family. Apply John Davidson, Rothesay 66. 12-31

WANTED—Experienced maid for house work. References required. Wages \$40.—Phone Rothesay 135. 12-31

WANTED—Woman cook. Apply Windsor Hotel, Edmundston, N. B. 12-31

AGENTS WANTED
A GOOD AGENT can be found by using the "Agents Wanted Column." Everybody all read it.

SITUATIONS WANTED
ONE CENT PER WORD will place your ad before every employer in Saint John. Just state what you can do.

SITUATIONS VACANT
MAKE MONEY AT HOME—Men and women can earn \$1 to \$2 an hour in spare time writing, or making, or canvassing or selling. We instruct you and supply you with work. Write today. The Menhert Company, Limited, 4 Dominion Building, Toronto.

Phone your Want Ads. Main 2417.

FOR SALE—AUTOS

GREAT BARGAINS in used cars can be found in this column. Every prospect for car buyer reads it. Have you one for sale? Advertise it now.

FOR SALE—ALWAYS A FEW GOOD used cars, which we sell at what they cost us after thorough overhauling. One-third cash, balance spread over twelve months.—Victory Garage, Duke street. Phone Main 4100. 12-31

FOR SALE—CONTENTS of five room flat, up-to-date furniture, including all household effects, gas and coal combination range, child's large toy crib, etc., etc. \$1,000.00. 10-12 mornings, 7-9 evening (middle bell). 12-31

FOR SALE—REAL ESTATE
MONEY TO LOAN on approved city freehold. F. B. Dyer, 42 Princess street. 12-31

FOR SALE—Blanket comforter and two pillows. Cheap.—Phone 31, 118. 12-31

FOR SALE—Nile green georgette evening dress, size 36 or 38. Phone 31, 118. 12-31

FOR SALE—Pullover racing skates, size 8, reasonable. Size 6.—Phone M. 4869. 12-31

FOR SALE—Horse, 1400 lbs. Phone M. 2891-21. 12-31

FOR SALE—White Collie puppies, ready for home, \$10.00. Sold this week.—Gordon Kelley, Main 1189. 1-1

FOR SALE—Lady's evening dress, M. 1189. 12-31

FOR SALE—Gramophone. Box 0, Times. 12-31

FOR SALE—Two sets of longing sleds, two sets double harness.—Thomas Anderson, Fairville, N. B. 1-1

FOR SALE—Hardwood. Big load from country. \$2.50.—Tel. 2488-15. 1-1

FOR SALE—A desirable, good-sized grocery store, all ready to use. 12-31

WANTED—Heated, furnished apartment at once. Will consider party furnished—Apply, giving full particulars, to A. C. C., Box 112, City. 12-31

WANTED—To purchase fairly good second hand auto, fairly good, two bed room. Size 28 to 30. Apply to Box 121, Times Star. 12-31

WANTED—Furnished apartment or house, with central heating, two bedrooms. Reply to P. O. Box 133. 12-31

HOUSES TO LET
TO LET—Six room house at Little River, ten minutes walk from dry dock, near St. John Building Co. 12-31

TO LET—Log cabin, Rockwood Park. Fine open fireplace, good, two bedrooms. \$2 per day.—M. 8917. 12-31

TO LET—Self-contained house, 6 St. James street. Rent \$25 per month. Particulars, The Eastern Trust Company, 11 Prince William street. 12-31

FLATS TO LET
TO LET—At reduced rental, till May 1st, flat and self-contained, heated, each 6 rooms, bath, hot water heating, central heating, electric, gas, and all modern conveniences. Apply to 62 Park street, Main 1456. 12-31

TO LET—Two small flats, 183 Erin, Chadwick, W. 140-11. 12-31

TO LET—Small flat, 72 Smythe street, \$3 per month. Three rooms.—Apply No. 1 Union street. 12-31

TO LET—Heated flats, 8 rooms, 12 St. David street. 12-31

TO LET—Bright 6 roomed modern and nurse-housemaid. Mrs. Teed, 83 Summer street. 12-31

TO LET—Pleasant self-contained flat, bath, electric, 112 Victoria street. 1-1

TO LET—Flat, 147 St. James, M. 2882. 12-31

TO LET—Comfortable 10 roomed flat, 127 Charlotte street, modern, at low rent for immediate possession.—Apply 270 Charlotte or Phone M. 5101. 12-31

TO LET—From January 1st, lower flat, 101 Paradise row, at \$15 per month. Apply Hamilton & Hamilton, 127 Prince William street. 12-31

TO LET—From January 1st, flat 19 Prince street. Rent \$20 per month.—Apply Hamilton & Hamilton, 127 Prince William street. 12-31

TO LET—On Dec. 1, up-to-date 8 room flat, to good tenant, hardwood floors, bath, electric, etc.—Apply 118-119. 12-31

BUILDINGS TO LET
TO LET—Large work room, heated by owner.—Phone M. 2049. 1-1

OFFICES TO LET
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WILL GO TO BOSTON.
McADAM JUNCTION, Dec. 29.—Gordon Kennedy, of this place, who has been teaching school at Milton for some time, expects to leave on Monday for Boston where he will later take up teaching again.

COMMUNITY DAY AT ST. ANDREW'S
Santa Claus Escorted by Band and Scouts—Treated 500 Children

ST. ANDREW'S, Dec. 29.—Under ideal conditions, today, Community Day once again proved a gala affair at St. Andrew's in the third annual community gathering celebration which was organized in 1924 by W. F. Kennedy. Arrangements were made previously and the townpeople and those of the surrounding districts enjoyed to the utmost the pleasures provided which were free for all.

At 1:45 p. m. the fun began, when Santa Claus, escorted by the town band and St. Andrew's Troop Boy Scouts arrived at the mammoth Christmas tree at Market square which, with its illuminations, has shed a cheery welcome during the festive season. Assisted by his group of merry-makers, Santa distributed bags of candy, oranges and apples from the tree to 300 children who were guests at the Christmas party, and gifts of toys were donated by the Boy Scouts.

TRAINING OF CADETS IS TALKED OVER
Annapolis Presbytery United Church to Pass Resolution in Prohibition

MIDDLETON, N. S., Dec. 29.—At a meeting of the Presbytery of Annapolis of the United Church of Canada, held in Annapolis Royal yesterday afternoon and evening, military training, in respect to cadet work, and the temperance question were discussed. With regard to the former the need of more definite information was expressed. Relative to the temperance question a committee was appointed to bring in a resolution at the next quarterly meeting. There was no Moderation League sentiment in the meeting.

CHRISTMAS WITHOUT NOISE
TORONTO, Dec. 30.—Christmas party without noise, no chattering voices and no outbreak of hilarity, was held here last night, when a group of merry-making deaf and dumb people from a local church for deaf were entertained. Games, in which all participated in the sign language, were a feature.

AUCTIONS BY PRIVATE SALE

At our Rooms, 96 George street, questions were discussed, balance of Imported Pearls, 20 strings, which they last sold for \$1,000. Also quantity of Furniture, Mah. Drop Leaf Table, etc. F. L. & R. F. POTTS, Auctioneers.

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There will be sold at public auction FRIDAY, DEC. 31, at 10:45 a. m., in house now occupied by Wm. Kiecher, situated on west side of Morris street, Fairville, N. B., quantity of household furniture in good condition, same having been secured for sale. Dated Dec. 27, 1926. J. J. MERRYFIELD, Bailiff.

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NATIONALS DEFEAT Y. M. C. A. BY 46-21

Y-Nots and Rangers Are The Winners in Intermediate Section
Nationals emerged victors over the Y. M. C. A. squad in a hectic basketball game at the Y. M. C. A. last evening, by a 46 to 21 score. During the first period the game was fast and furious, with the Y-Nots leading the Nationals leading at half time, 18 to 14. In the second period the game was everything but basketball, as the Y-Nots were only a wild scramble for the possession of the ball.

The best game of the evening was provided in the Y-Nots-High School fixture, the former team winning, 34 to 27, and taking the lead in the intermediate league as the result. The teams were evenly matched, with neither having any decided advantage. The High School missed many opportunities to clinch the game in the opening period, but shot wide at the critical moment. At half time the Y-Nots led, 19 to 12, and with five minutes to go the High School managed to even the score. During the last few minutes the "Y" team put the game on ice, sinking a couple of long shots and going in fast on rebounds.

The Rangers experienced little trouble with the South End outfit in the final game on the program, winning, 39 to 12. The score at the close of the first session was 12 to 8, but during the final period the winners experienced little trouble in running up a large score.

The lineup:
Y. M. C. A. Forward: Boyce (2) Centre: Writton (18) Sub: Yeomans (23) Kenzie. High School. Forwards: Y. Nots. Rivers (4) Murray (7) Patterson (8) Turner (10) Harding (11) Smith (19) Defense: Regan (2) Sinclair (2) Britain (7) McKinnon (7) Sub: McAndrews, Wry, McLean (2), Barbour, Rangers. Davidson (4) Forward. McLeod (19) Kearn (2) Hart (2) Ward (2) Centre. Toole (7) Defense. Garland (2) Grass (2) Gill (4) Sub: Johnson. Garrick (9) Sub: Johnson.

MONCTON LADIES' LODGE INSTALLS International Auxiliary to B. of L. E. Hold Their Annual Meeting

MONCTON, Dec. 29.—Moncton Lodge of the Grand International Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers held their annual installation of officers in the Labor Temple this afternoon when the following were installed: Officers for 1927: President, Mrs. O. G. McAuley; past president, Mrs. J. Cooke; vice-president, Mrs. George A. Stone, Mrs. M. Taylor, Mrs. C. Eagles, Mrs. J. MacFarlane, Mrs. S. J. Craig, Mrs. H. Bamister, Mrs. A. Fryers, Mrs. E. Duffy and Mrs. George Wilson.

COURT FIGHT LIKELY IN LIQUOR SEIZURE

OTTAWA, Dec. 29.—Seizure by the customs authorities of the valuable liquor cargo on board the auxiliary schooner "Chris. Moeller" at Victoria, B.C., will probably result in a strenuous legal battle. One of the points which will be emphasized, in all probability, is that the cargo of the schooner was, on its face, an intrastate shipment from a British to a Mexican port.

2,000-Gallon Still Seized; 2 Arrested

MONTREAL, Dec. 29.—Officers of the preventive service of the federal customs and excise department seized what is claimed to be one of the biggest stills in operation in New York, and arrested two men, Abe Brown, a merchant, and Norman Klein, a chemist, of New York, when they raided premises in the southwestern part of the city. The still measures 46 feet and was used for re-distilling denatured alcohol. Its capacity is 2,000 gallons a day, and its estimated value is between \$15,000 and \$20,000. Twenty barrels of benzene, eight containers of chloroform and 20 empty crates of a total capacity of 2,000 gallons were also seized by the authorities.

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WSAI, Cincinnati (Eastern, 259): 7 p. m.—Olympian Coffee Club Half Hour; from WSAI Studio. 7:30.—Soprano and piano solos. 8 to 10:30.—The Screen Actors Club Eskimos and a Goodrich Zippers from New York. 11.—Hotel Sinton Orchestra. WCT, Schenectady (Eastern, 270): 6:30 p. m.—Dinner music. 7:45.—The Radio Hour. 8.—Lecture on Modern Music from Mark Ritz Theatre, Albany. WJHM, Chicago (Central, 258): 8 to 9:30.—Dinner concert. 8:30.—Radio-tale "New Year Bells." 9.—Little Symphony Orchestra and soprano solos. 11:15.—Pittsburgh Post dance program. WGAJ, New York (Eastern, 401): 6 to 12 p. m.—Dinner music; inebuc hymn songs. 11:15.—Ballet. Schickering Quartet; Cliguit Club Eskimos. Goodrich Zippers; Cass Lopez Orchestra. WBC, Washington (Eastern, 469): 7 p. m.—Dinner music. 8:30.—Auction Bridge.—Royal Station Orchestra from WJZ, New York. 10.—La Paradis Salon. 11.—Piano solos. 11:15.—Ballet. WGB, New York (Eastern, 511): 8 to 11 p. m.—Joint broadcasting with Station WEAJ, New York. WJZ, New York (Eastern, 451): 7 to 10:30 p. m.—Hotel Pennsylvania Grand Voice of the Silent Drama; Katey Organ Recital; Royal Hour of Music; Trivoli Club Orchestra.

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| Canadian National Railways | 5% | Dec. 1954 | 102.00 | 4.83% |
| Canadian National Railways | 4 1/2% | Sep. 15, 1954 | 95.75 | 4.78% |
| Province of Ontario | 4 1/2% | Sep. 1, 1944 | 97.00 | 4.75% |
| Province of Ontario | 5% | Oct. 15, 1948 | 102.75 | 4.80% |
| City of Hull | 5% | Nov. 1926 | 105.00 | 4.95% |
| City of Hull | 5% | May, 1936-39 | 100.00 | 5.00% |
| City of Paris | 5% | Nov. 1930 | 100.00 | 6.00% |
| Town of Fraserville | 5% | Aug. 1949 | 100.00 | 5.00% |
| Town of Fraserville | 5% | Nov. 1949 | 100.00 | 5.00% |
| Fabrique Ste.-Croix de Montreal | 5% | Sep. 1941-45 | 100.00 | 5.00% |
| St. Pierre-aux-Liens | 5% | Nov. 1948-51 | 100.00 | 5.00% |
| St. Jerome R. C. Schools | 5 1/2% | May 1954 | 104.00 | 5.20% |

Public Utility

| Company | Security | March 1955 | Price | Yield |
|-------------------------------|----------|---------------|--------|-------|
| Bell Telephone Company | 5% | March 1955 | 102.00 | 4.87% |
| Canada Northern Power Corp. | 5% | May 1941 | 101.50 | 6.34% |
| Canadian Pacific Railway Co. | 4 1/2% | Dec. 15, 1944 | 94.50 | 4.95% |
| Canadian Pacific Railway Co. | 5% | Apr. 15, 1934 | 100.50 | 4.95% |
| East Kootenay Power Co., Ltd. | 7% | April 1942 | 105.00 | 6.50% |
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THE EVENING TIMES-STAR, SAINT JOHN, N. B., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1926

Business News

TRADING BRISK AND PRICES FIRM TODAY AT MONREAL OPENING

MEXICAN OIL SHARES HOLD CENTRE AT N. Y.

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Selling of Mexican oil shares, based on unseasoned year, contrasted with a resumption of the advance in other sections of the stock market at today's opening. Man-American issues were weak, but domestic oil, such as Atlantic Refining and Union of American, were in demand. Atchafalaya, American, Case Threshing Machine and

Financial Brevities

ANNOUNCEMENT is being made by the Montreal Stock Exchange, that J. H. R. Shuter becomes a member of the exchange as of January 1, 1927. This increases the partnership of J. H. R. Shuter, N. H. Macaulay and Mr. Shuter, the new partner is well known throughout the Montreal financial district since his return from overseas he has been connected with Jenks, Gwynne & Company. Before the war he was a member of the staff of the Royal Trust Company.

BY JANUARY 1, 1927, a total of 25% of the amount of Detroit United States sinking fund gold 5%, due July 1, 1927, will have been retired. This reduces the par value of the issue outstanding from \$47,200,000 to \$35,400,000.

THE DEVELOPMENT plans of the Montreal Light & Power Company, providing for construction of a dam, installation of additional hydro-electric machinery and creation of a new irrigation project, have attracted considerable attention. It is now stated that the whole project will be carried out by the company itself, without the aid of the Canadian Government. The situation is that the company sees an excellent opportunity for expansion in these directions, and will make an effort to finance the whole undertaking itself.

PHILADELPHIA—Reports that the Baldwin Locomotive Works had sold its Philadelphia property were denied by Samuel M. Yandall, president, who also added that no negotiations for sale were under way at this time. Various departments of the company have been moved to other departments connected with those departments and have moved their headquarters. Baldwin has arranged to build an office building at the corner of 12th and Market streets, which will be finished some time next year. All officers, except some executive departments, will not move until 1928.

ANDREW W. DELLOM, Secretary of the U. S. Treasury, said all predictions regarding business conditions for the coming year, "are the same and declined to add his to the list. He said he had a group of predictions gathered from all over the country, they seem alike. They all say the same thing, although the forecasts may be worded in different directions," he said.

RESTRICTION ON SUGAR OUTPUT IS DISCUSSED

Cuban Government Moves to Prevent Further Drop in Price

MONTEREAL, Dec. 30.—The recent decision of the Cuban Government to limit the production of sugar for the season of 1927 to 2,000,000 tons is the latest of a series of developments which have resulted in a fairly consistent advance in sugar prices throughout this year, and which has only temporarily marked a pause in the upward movement. It is generally considered that the Cuban Government is in a more favorable position than they have enjoyed since the season of 1923-24, since the current issue of the Quinquennial Convention of the International Sugar Conference, which is being held in Havana, Cuba, at the present time, has been completed. The Cuban Government is reported to have secured a 10% increase in the price of sugar, and to have secured a 10% increase in the price of molasses. It is also reported that the Cuban Government has secured a 10% increase in the price of rum, and a 10% increase in the price of coffee. It is also reported that the Cuban Government has secured a 10% increase in the price of tobacco, and a 10% increase in the price of cotton. It is also reported that the Cuban Government has secured a 10% increase in the price of sugar, and a 10% increase in the price of molasses. It is also reported that the Cuban Government has secured a 10% increase in the price of rum, and a 10% increase in the price of coffee. It is also reported that the Cuban Government has secured a 10% increase in the price of tobacco, and a 10% increase in the price of cotton.

ROYAL BANK RECORDS DOMINION BRIDGE IN FINE POSITION

Company Has Enough Order Now For Two Years' Work at Least

MONTEREAL, Dec. 30.—The strength in the stock of Dominion Bridge Company, Limited, on the local board is doubtless a reflection of the company's strong balance sheet besides an indication that "bridge" has sufficient work on hand to keep its plants busy for at least two years to come. The Montreal harbor bridge contract involves some \$75,000,000 and will not be completed until 1930. The nature of the company's business is such that the profits are not taken on the books until the entire contract is completed. To sum up it would appear that the high price of Dominion Bridge stock is predicated on the outlook for large earnings in the next few years, and that in the next dividend record, it is anticipated that the dividend rate to 6% per cent is expected. An increase in the dividend rate to 6% per cent is expected. The company also controls the Dominion Engineering Works, which specializes in the manufacture of products closely related to two of Canada's basic industries, the pulp and paper industry and the water power development industry. Dominion Engineering stock is selling in the vicinity of 100, as compared with a low of the year of 65.

May 1st Stocks of B. C. Electric Co.

MONTEREAL, Dec. 30.—In view of the expressed hope in the financial district that the securities of the British Columbia Electric Railway Company may be listed on the Montreal and Toronto Stock Exchanges, the earnings power behind the several securities of the company is naturally of interest. In its last operating year earnings were at the rate of 27.32 per cent on the 1,400,000 cumulative preference shares. Net income, after dividends on this issue, was equal to 22.22 per cent on the 1,400,000 shares of non-cumulative preferred ordinary stock, which is entitled to 5 per cent per annum and participates equally with the deferred ordinary stock after the latter has received 11 per cent. After allowing for the cumulative preferred and non-cumulative preferred stock, earnings were equal to 21.16 per cent on the deferred ordinary stock, which is the issue in which the east is evidencing interest.

LAUNDRY MERGER MOOTED

It is reported that a New York house is endeavoring to bring about a merger of the laundries in Montreal. At the present time it is understood the bank here are having a considerable amount of difficulty with some of the larger companies in this line.

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| December corn | 90 1/2 89 1/2 90 1/2 |
| July corn | 84 1/2 83 1/2 84 1/2 |
| May corn | 80 1/2 79 1/2 80 1/2 |
| May oats | 37 1/2 36 1/2 37 1/2 |
| July oats | 32 1/2 31 1/2 32 1/2 |

WINNIPEG GRAIN MARKET

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| High Low 3 p.m. | |
| December wheat | 134 1/2 133 1/2 134 1/2 |
| July wheat | 128 1/2 127 1/2 128 1/2 |
| December corn | 88 1/2 87 1/2 88 1/2 |
| July corn | 82 1/2 81 1/2 82 1/2 |
| May corn | 78 1/2 77 1/2 78 1/2 |
| May oats | 35 1/2 34 1/2 35 1/2 |
| July oats | 30 1/2 29 1/2 30 1/2 |

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MOVE MADE TO ABOLISH NEW YORK STATE ATHLETIC COMMISSION

ACTION TAKEN ON PROPOSAL OF GOVERNOR

Bureau in New Dept. of State, Headed by One Man, to Supervise Boxing

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 29.—The Legislative Reorganization Commission, following a three hour session, agreed to adopt Governor Smith's recommendations for the abolition of the State Athletic Commission, the State Fair Commission and others of less important proposals.

The Republican majority in the Reorganization Commission will postpone all action on the controversial proposals until after the Governor until after the 1927 Legislature meets, it was learned.

The Athletic Commission which is to be abolished is headed by James A. Farley, chairman, and includes George E. Brower, Democrat, and William Muldoon, Republican, boxing in New York State will be regulated in the future by a bureau in the new Department of State, to be headed by one man.

FOUR TEAMS TIED IN INTER SOCIETY

St. John The Baptists and St. Peter's Winners Last Evening

The four teams comprising the Inter-Society Basketball League are now tied for first place as a result of the games played on the Y. M. C. I. floor last night.

In the first game St. Peter's defeated the Y. M. C. I., 39 to 37. The winning goal was scored in the overtime period by McCourty, who starred for the Saints all during the game. The last period and the overtime witnessed some flashy basketball and thrilled the large crowd of fans present.

Kennedy featured for the Institute boys. St. Rose's and St. John the Baptist clashed in the second game and at the end of the first period St. Rose's were in the lead, 19 to 18. They maintained their lead in the second period and were 15 points ahead of the Baptists when the Saints rallied and, overcoming the lead, won out, 36 to 32. Some pretty combination was displayed in this half. Chandler and Kirk starred for the Saints. Lawlor, Dwyer and Stevens are shining up at a pretty tight defense.

Fred Coughlan refereed the opening game and "Ezra" Sterling of the second contest. E. Fitzgerald scored and P. McGrattan handled the watch.

Summary of basketball game results: St. John Baptists, St. Rose's, Kirk (12), Chandler (20), Lawlor (2), Dwyer (2), O'Hara (2), St. Peter's.

Summary of basketball game results: Gaynes, Britt (11), Kennedy (11), Dolan (11), O'Conner (10), Dobbler (2), Next Wednesday at 8 p. m. at the Baptist play St. Peter's and the Y. M. C. I. play St. Rose's.

CALLS MEETING. A meeting of those interested in the formation of an intermediate hockey league has been called for Friday afternoon at 5 o'clock in the office of A. W. Covey, Market building, it was announced last night by H. Edgar Adams, secretary.

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Canadian National Ry. Athletes Seek Affiliation With A. A. U. of C.

Line-up Of Amherst Team Is Announced

The fast Amherst hockey team which plays here on New Year's night in an exhibition game with the Fusellers, won the central section of the M. A. H. A. last season. Much strength has been added to the team this year in the persons of L. and I. Bickerton recently, and the team is now said to be one of the best in the three provinces.

The team will line up as follows: L. Farrow, No. 1, goal; H. Bartlett, 2, defence; R. Langille, 3, defence; T. Harrison, 4; I. Bickerton, 5; D. Chisholm, 6; I. Bickerton, 7; J. Fraser, 8; and G. Black, 9, all forwards.

The Fusellers will line up the same in the game here on Monday evening.

M'CALLISTER NINTH MANAGER OF CLEVELAND

Inherits Strong Aggregation of Ball Players—Former Pilots

CLEVELAND, Dec. 30.—Jack McCallister takes his place as ninth manager of the Cleveland Indians since the team was organized in 1900.

Like his immediate predecessor, Tris Speaker, McCallister has inherited a strong team. When Speaker took over the reins of the tribe from Lee Fohl in 1919 the Indians were in second place. Speaker left the team this season after finishing runner up to the New York Yankees.

McCallister has had one record to be proud of in his brief career as manager. It is to be noted that he is the only man who accomplished this, and it was in 1920 when the wily Texan won both the American League flag and the world series title.

Speaker, besides winning the series in 1920, has led the Indians into second place twice, third once and fourth once. The two times he finished out of the first division his club was sixth.

If history counts for anything McCallister will be remembered as one of two classes. Either he will last only a year or less, or he will stay on the job five years and become one of the Cleveland leaders from which the law of averages has been compiled.

McCallister's immediate predecessor, Harry Davis, 1912-1914; Joe Birmingham, 1915-1918; Lee Fohl, 1919-1922; and Tris Speaker, 1923-1926.

ST. ANDREW'S NEW YEAR'S DAY MATCH

Following are the sinks who will take part in the annual President vs. Vice-president match to be curied by the Andrew's Club on New Year's Day.

Table of names for St. Andrew's New Year's Day match: President—W. E. Anderson, R. Arscott, J. W. Brittain, J. K. Blenkinsop, S. A. Jones.

Table of names for St. Andrew's New Year's Day match: Vice-President—G. E. Barbour, R. Arscott, J. K. Blenkinsop, D. W. Fuddington, T. H. S. Smith, Cap. J. S. Kane, H. C. Creighton, A. E. Cunningham, S. M. Jones, P. W. Coombs, T. H. Estabrook, P. A. Clarke.

Table of names for St. Andrew's New Year's Day match: A. L. Lawson, A. E. Everett, G. T. Lewis, A. L. Foster, Dr. G. B. Peat, R. D. Patterson, G. S. McDonald, P. M. McNeill, E. L. Rising, L. W. Nickerson, W. B. Tennant, G. H. Roberts, A. P. Patterson, E. A. Schofield, C. F. Sanford.

Table of names for St. Andrew's New Year's Day match: A. T. Alden, W. A. Weeks, A. E. Massie, J. U. Thomas, J. L. Towse, J. R. Haycock, J. B. McPherson, D. R. Smith, A. R. Windows, S. C. Chesley, Dr. L. Chipman, J. A. Clark, F. C. Heatley, Geo. Murray, P. A. Beatty, H. W. Cole, Jas. Gilchrist, John White, J. W. Myers, R. K. Jones, J. H. Tiltson, R. M. Magee, G. A. Kimball.

Table of names for St. Andrew's New Year's Day match: Rev. G. Lawrence, Rev. T. Thompson, G. M. Robertson, H. C. Simmons, Jas. McMurray, H. R. Dunn, D. Leddington, E. J. Terry, P. C. Gregory, I. B. Murray, C. B. Allan, A. D. Malcolm, L. P. D. Tilley, W. H. Haley, W. A. Stewart, W. J. Westmore, H. W. Harrison, M. H. Dunlop, H. J. Sullivan, W. A. Lockhart.

NEW SCANDAL IN BASEBALL WORLD MOOTED

Risberg of "Black Sox" Says He Can Implicate 20 Big Leaguers

CHICAGO, Dec. 30.—A new baseball quiz may come out of declarations of Charles "Swede" Risberg, former Chicago White Sox shortstop, that he can give baseball's bosses information that will implicate 20 big leaguers, who never before have been mentioned in connection with chokeness.

Risberg, banned from baseball as the result of the 1919 world series scandal, made his statement to the Chicago Tribune at his Minnesota dairy farm, and immediately drew from Commissioner Landis a declaration that he would welcome hearing Risberg's story.

"Most certainly he would be welcome," the commissioner said, after reading Risberg's accusations, but he declined to comment on the statement, in which Risberg declared "Landis and the big bosses of baseball don't want to know the facts."

The Tribune said: "It was a kindly man who began to read the statement, and a burning nemesis who finished."

CHALLENGES LANDIS. Risberg told the newspaper there has been plenty of "crooked work" going on in baseball, and continued: "If Commissioner Landis and the owners and managers haven't seen it they're blind. Landis and the big bosses of baseball don't want to know the facts. This is a challenge to the commissioner. Let's see what he'll do about it."

Bowling

Y. M. H. A. League.

In the Y. M. H. A. series rolled on the Imperial Alleys last night the Jays won all four points from the Pinks. The scores follow:

Table of bowling scores: Pinks, Broberg, P. Boyanar, Budovich, L. G. Sivolt.

Table of bowling scores: Jays, Jacobs, Harris, H. Isaacs, L. Jacobson.

Business Men's League. Last night on the Y. M. C. A. alleys the business Men's League, Team No. 7, won three points from Team No. 2. The individual scores follow:

Table of bowling scores: Team No. 7, Houtens, Dan, McCaw, Clark.

Table of bowling scores: Team No. 2, Lockhart, Warwick, Bent.

Table of bowling scores: Commercial League, The New Brunswick Power Company team took three points from the Post Office team in the Commercial League game on Black's alleys last night. The scores were:

Table of bowling scores: Commercial League, Brentall, White, Newton, Roxborough, Dummy.

Table of bowling scores: Post Office, Evans, Brennan, McCaw, Clark.

Table of bowling scores: Civic and Civil Service League, The Atlantic Sugar team walked away with three points from the Post Office team in the Civic and Civil Service League on the Imperial alleys last night. Total scores, Atlantic 486; Post Office, 381.

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M'Gill Will Clash With Yale Tonight

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—McGill University's hockey team will meet Yale University in an international intercollegiate match at Madison Square Garden tonight.

The McGill team has been keeping its training constant practice at Springfield, Mass., and over the Christmas holidays at the Baker Memorial Rink in Princeton.

The Ell squad is captained by Larry Noble, left winger. Coach Wamaker has been keeping his team in constant practice at Springfield, Mass., and over the Christmas holidays at the Baker Memorial Rink in Princeton.

HAWKS GO INTO FIRST PAGE IN U.S. DIVISION

Defeat World Champion Maroons in Overtime Play—Games Tonight

MONTREAL, Dec. 30.—The Chicago Blackhawks went into undisputed possession of first place in the American division of the National Hockey League last night, by taking the Montreal Maroons over the hurdles to the tune of five to four score. In an overtime match at the Windy City.

The Maroons outplayed and outscored the Hawks in the first two periods of the game, but were unable to hold their advantage under the dogged and persistent attack of the Americans. The Hawks scored twice in the last three minutes of the regular play, winning the game, two to one, and won overtime session.

Montreal Maroons face another tough assignment tonight when they meet Detroit at Windsor, Ont.

Nels Stewart, the Maroon centre, suspended for one game, after drawing three major penalties, will be on the lineup tonight, and should add considerable strength to the Maroons.

Two other games are scheduled this evening. Pittsburgh Pirates will face the Montreal Maroons at Montreal, and Boston will visit the Toronto St. Patricks at the Queen City.

Arrangements For McLellan Cup Play

Arrangements for play for the McLellan Cup for the season 1927 has been decided upon by the trustees, J. S. Gregory and F. Dexter, and S. H. Stewart, secretary. In order to carry out the arrangements of play adopted May 31, 1910, the trustees appoint Wednesday of each week on which matches for this cup are to be played and that this day to be known to the curlers of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick as the McLellan Cup day. This plan will permit clubs challenging for, or defending the cup, to make arrangements accordingly.

The trustees present a schedule of challenges in order as filed with the secretary of the Sydney Curling Club (the club now holding the cup), on or before Dec. 15, 1926. Following is the schedule:

Table of curling challenges: Jan. 2—Sydney vs. Cape Breton, Jan. 12—Winner vs. Halifax, Jan. 19—Winner vs. Bathurst, Jan. 26—Winner vs. Bluenose, Feb. 2—Winner vs. Macan, Feb. 9—Winner vs. Truro, Feb. 16—Winner vs. Mayflower, Feb. 23—Winner vs. Stellarton, Mar. 2—Winner vs. Amherst, Mar. 9—Winner vs. Oxford, Mar. 16—Winner vs. Westville.

Table of curling challenges: N. B. Power Co. League, In the N. B. Power Co. House League game last night the office department team took all four points by default from the Car Department, Total 1404.

C. N. R. Recreation. The Canadian National Express team took all four points last night by default from the Car Department, Total 1404.

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15,000 WOULD BE ADDED TO SPORTS BODY

Canadian National Recreation League Asks to be Branch of Union

MONTREAL, Dec. 29.—Application for affiliation with the Amateur Athletic Union of Canada as a branch of that organization has been made by the Canadian National Recreation League. If accepted, this will bring a body of some 15,000 men and women participants in the various sports events in line with organized amateur sport in Canada, and, as such, is an important step in amateur sport circles. This is one of the steps taken by the Canadian National Recreation League to organize the sporting activities of its employees on a national basis through the formation of the Canadian National Recreation League. Recreation clubs, comprising members of the railway employees, are organized in every large centre in Canada, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and the activities of these cover all branches of amateur sport. Track and field meets are held annually at most of the larger centres, where Canadian National athletes compete for honors.

If the application for affiliation with the A. A. U. is accepted, members of the Canadian National Recreation Clubs will require to take out amateur cards when they are competing in open or closed meets for such events as come under the jurisdiction of the Amateur Athletic Union.

\$25,000,000 Said Waged During 1926

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—New York betting commissioners have contributed a new chapter to 1926 sports reviews, with an estimate of \$25,000,000 as the total of this year's wagers on athletic events, and elections. The Dempsey-Tunney fight, on which they claim \$8,000,000 changed hands, led the list.

Esquimos Take Lead In Prairie Hockey League

EDMONTON, Alta., Dec. 30.—Edmonton Esquimos defeated the Saskatoon Sheiks 4-1 here last night, and as a result climbed into undisputed possession of first place in the Prairie Hockey League. It was the Esquimos' fourth straight victory.

SHOOT CANCELLED. The turkey shoot which was to have been held at the Amnary tonight by the Saint John Civilian Rifle Association has been cancelled.

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RUSH NOTICE Messrs. Harrison and Hocking announce a GRAND DANCE at the New City Hall, West Saint John, N. B. on Thursday 30th, 1926.

TEST NEW SERVICE Plan to Link The Empire by Beam Wireless Stations

NEW YORK, Dec. 30.—Telegraphic messages by beam wireless are being exchanged experimentally between England and Australia and the new service will be officially tested by the British post office next week.

CHICAGO WINS ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 30.—The Chicago Cardinals defeated St. Paul 3 to 2 in an American Professional Hockey League game last night.

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PHONE USERS IN PROVINCE SHOW INCREASE

N. B. Telephone Co. Now Has 44,000 Miles of Wire in Use

The increase in the use of the telephone by individual subscribers in New Brunswick and in the number of subscribers during the last year, as shown in the records of the New Brunswick Telephone Company, give some indication of what an essential thing the telephone has become.

The records show an increase of about 1,200 subscribers in the province during 1926 and an increase of more than eight per cent. in the number of calls received at the Saint John office, with an increase of about 5,000 long distance calls each month.

The company recently commenced its distribution of the January, 1927, telephone directory and will send out 85,000, about 12,000 being for the Saint John district, while the whole southern section will receive 16,200. The eastern section, including Moncton and the North Shore will take about 7,800 and the western section will receive about 9,000.

650 EMPLOYEES

The company is one of New Brunswick's largest employers. At the present time it has 650 employees, of whom about 375 are operators. In summer time, to permit of absence of vacation, the staff is increased to about 700 and about 50 additional operators are hired on.

The company maintains exchanges in 31 different centres in the province and has connection with 94 different smaller companies, making communication by telephone possible between practically all of the communities of the province, large or small.

MILEAGE IS 44,000

The mileage of telephone wiring in the province now exceeds 44,000, and of the total there are 8,000 miles of telephone wire laid underground in Saint John.

Apart from the materials for maintaining premises the company's chief purchasers for operation of telephones are made outside New Brunswick. The materials for operation, which can be purchased in New Brunswick, are articles of hardware and cedar poles, and these are all bought locally. The company has in all about 109,000 cedar poles carrying its wires throughout the province, annually purchasing about 6,000 more poles, 5,000 being for replacement and the additional 1,000 for extension.

DAILY CALLS

Some idea of the importance of the telephone in daily life is gained from the fact that in Saint John the daily number of calls is almost three a day for every man, woman and child. In Saint John on Dec. 24, 1926, there were 120,000 telephone calls at the local exchange, and on the same date in the entire province the number had increased to 181,860.

The number of long distance telephone calls during a month totals 75,000 and 80,000, and that number has been gradually increasing for some time. It is reckoned that the increase of long distance telephone calls during 1926 was about 6,000 a month. The Saint John district, including the near-by rural sections and West Saint John, has very nearly one-third of the total telephone subscribers in the province. What would seem to be a curious fact is that the number of users of party line telephones is only about one-third of the number of users of special lines. In this district there are 2,672 party line subscribers and 7,457 special line subscribers.

PRIVATE EXCHANGES

There are private branch exchanges maintained by 34 different concerns in the city, and these 34 exchanges have 216 different telephone stations, an average of more than six lines for each.

AUTOMATIC SYSTEM

At a recent meeting of the directors of the company it was decided that when the next installation, to take care of growth, was to be made, the automatic telephone would be procured. No steps have as yet been taken towards the installation of such equipment, and it was said yesterday that it takes two years to get that equipment installed and in operation.

"Valarian Fund" Is Nearing \$400 Mark

The local contributions towards the "Valarian Fund" are now only a few dollars short of the \$400 mark and it is hoped that \$500 may have been raised before the fund closes. A number of organizations have made generous gifts to the fund and at the present time members of the R. C. N. V. R. are endeavoring to make a canvass of some of the citizens to obtain further subscriptions.

Lieutenant Paul B. Cross and Paymaster P. Coombs of the R. C. N. V. R. are receiving the subscriptions and to date the sums received are as follows:
Memorial Service, Trinity church, \$108.00; Officers R. C. N. V. R. \$10; Officers Mess, \$50; Sergeants Mess, \$50; R. C. N. V. R. Company, \$50; Mayor W. W. White, \$5; Mrs. J. E. R. \$2; C. Bell, \$4; W. M. S., \$5; L. V. Lingley, \$5; L. W. Peters, \$2; S. Q. Thomas, \$2; E. H. Hicock, \$1; C. W. C. Oland, \$5; J. H. Frink, \$2; W. L. Harding, \$5, total \$392.10.

GAVE DINNER TO 71

The annual Christmas dinner for the residents in the Salvation Army home in St. James street was served yesterday to 71. Major and Mrs. Knight, district commanders, visited the home and spoke with the men.

ALMANAC FOR SAINT JOHN, DEC. 30.

A.M. High Tide... 1.48 Low Tide... 2.28 Sun Rises... 8.10 Sun Sets... 4.00

Local News

IS BEREAVED.

Many friends in Saint John will be sorry to learn of the sad bereavement of S. C. Howell, who on Christmas Day received word of the death of his sister in Cornwall, England. About one year previously he had learned of the death of his mother in England and of his immediate family only one sister, in London, England, now survives.

SENT TO FRIENDS

William McGrath, aged 25, reported to Police Constable Coughlan on Charlotte street yesterday afternoon at 1:25 o'clock that he was sick and had no friends in this city and further that he had been deported from the United States on account of his illness. He was taken to police headquarters, where arrangements were made that he could go to friends in Shediac, and he was placed on the train last evening for this purpose.

BAPTIST PROBLEMS UNDER DISCUSSION

Committees of Convention Talk Over Matters of Interest at Meeting Here

Committees of the Baptist Convention met Tuesday night and yesterday at the Baptist office in the Pugsley Building. Conditions among the churches were under review and plans considered with a view to settling pastoral fees.

Other matters discussed included new forms for gathering church statistics, and tentative proposals for holding district meetings in series and consecutively to enable the field workers to attend.

CHOICE OF RECTOR HAS BEEN DEFERRED

NURSES AND STAFF ARE ENTERTAINED

The members of the medical staff of the General Public Hospital entertained the nurses, office staff and attendants at a most enjoyable uniform dance last evening in the nurses' home. There were about 100 in attendance and excellent music was furnished by a five piece orchestra. Several of the commissionaires of the hospital were also present.

Coach Receives Fine Bridge Lamp

At the conclusion of the City Basketball League game last evening the members of the Y. M. C. A. team, presented A. B. Clark, physical director of the Y. M. C. A., with a fine bridge lamp. Mr. Clark has coached the team during the season and has developed a real fast team and his members took this way in expressing their appreciation of his work.

On Tuesday night the Mount Allison University team at the Y. M. C. A. This will be the first appearance of an outside team in the city this season. The collegians are reported to have a real fast aggregation of basketball players and the game should be one of the best exhibitions of the season.

Mentor's Ring Is Given H. G. Naves

Zion Trail Rangers were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert G. Naves at their home in Spring street, last night, when they spent a most enjoyable evening. Games were played and music also was enjoyed. The accompanist was Miss Annie Boyce. At the close of the evening a Mentor's ring was presented to Mr. Naves, who has been the group mentor for the last two years. The presentation was made on behalf of the Trail Rangers by Herbert Purdy and Mr. Naves replied suitably. A letter of thanks for a scarf presented to him was received by the group from P. S. Purdy, superintendent of the Sunday school, and cards were received from several mothers to whom special greetings had been sent. Delicious refreshments were served before the company dispersed.

As Hiram Sees It

"Who's to blame for not getting the grub into the steamer in the harbor," asked Mr. Hiram Hornbeam of The Times-Star reporter. "The people of Patagonia," said the reporter. "What he got to the steamer," demanded Hiram. "Well," said the reporter, "they are a long way off." "What's that got to do with it?" queried Hiram. "Nobody nearer than Patagonia," said the reporter, "will accept any responsibility whatever. The grain men, the railway, the port officials and everybody hereabouts are all at sea. The thing happened, but nobody knows why. We are awaiting advice from Patagonia." "An' the steamer," said Hiram, "is 'unfortunately—yes,' said the reporter. "Maybe," said Hiram, "they ought to have brought their grain with 'em from Portland or New York." "It may be," said the reporter.

MARITIMES TO BE PROMINENT IN TOURIST MAP

New Canadian Routes Guide Prepared by National Highway Association

J. Charlton Berrie, secretary-treasurer of the New Brunswick Automobile Association, is in receipt of a letter from Charles Davis, Bass River, Cape Cod, Mass., president of the National Highway Association, in which he states that a tourist map of Canada is being prepared for the season of 1927.

The letter points out that over 83 organizations have assisted in the making of the map and that the Maritimes have been shown up to good advantage due to the information supplied by the New Brunswick Automobile Association.

The move to have the map made was started through the action of the promoters of all the Canadian provinces as well as the Prime Minister of Canada, who were alive to the benefit of tourist travel through Canada.

At the present time the New Brunswick Automobile Association has a plan before the Provincial Government asking that the roads of the province be re-marked so as to connect with the Maine highway from Bangor. This is known as Route One and follows right into Boston. It is planned to have this route right through New Brunswick to Sackville.

CHOICE OF RECTOR HAS BEEN DEFERRED

St. Paul's Congregation Postpones Action—Three Names Are Mentioned

The names of three clergymen were suggested at a meeting of the congregation of St. Paul's church last evening, when the choice of a rector, to succeed Ven. Archdeacon A. H. Crowfoot, was under consideration. No decision was arrived at, but the matter was referred to a special committee, which will submit a report at an adjourned meeting to be held on Jan. 19.

Robert Sullivan Retiring Dec. 31

Robert Sullivan, freight checker with the Canadian National Railways and in charge of Sullivan Siding, Pond street, city, will retire from service on Dec. 31, after an admirable record of 26 years.

He began his career with the C. N. R. in 1882 and in 1880 was given charge of the siding which was named after him. In the 36 years that he has been in charge of Sullivan Siding, he has become known far and near as a capable workman, always serving to the best of his ability both the patrons of the C. N. R. and the company itself.

Mr. Sullivan was particularly well known to the merchants of Saint John and to many merchants through the Province of New Brunswick whose merchandise he has so often handled. They will miss with the C. N. R. officials and employees, with whom Mr. Sullivan was very popular, in wishing him many years of continued good health to enjoy his well-earned holiday.

Officers Elected By The Buffaloes

The election of quarterly officers was held last evening at the weekly meeting of the Royal Order of Buffaloes, New Brunswick Lodge, in Moose Hall, Charlotte street. The results of the election were as follows: Worthy primo, Michael Quinn; city marshal and city tyler officers will not be filled until the next weekly meeting; city registrar, Chas. Alchorn; city constable, Chas. Tapley; city chamberlain, H. F. Tapley; alderman of benevolence, J. M. Miller; city secretary, Daniel Bevans; city treasurer, W. P. Bawn; city warden, Jas. McDonald; city marshal, Bert Alchorn; auditors, S. Rolfe, Geo. Sudsbar; trustees, Michael Quinn and Daniel Bevans.

The meeting was well attended by about 50 official members. After the election of officers vocal solos and harmony was rendered by the following brothers: McGourty, Slattery, Kelly, Alchorn, McIntyre and the brothers of the S. S. Montclare. The meeting was brought to a close by the singing of "God Save the King."

E. S. Carter Leaves For Gould Inquiry

In response to a wire from U. S. Senator Walsh, E. S. Carter, of Saint John, will leave for Washington today to be present at the hearing before the Senate elections committee of the charges against Senator Arthur H. Gould, of Maine. The investigation is scheduled to begin next Tuesday.

When interviewed on the matter last evening, Mr. Carter said he did not know whether he would be called upon to give evidence at the inquiry, but believed his presence was requested by Senator Walsh, who preferred the charges against Senator Gould, to render any assistance that may be necessary.

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