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Sun and Tides
Atlantic Standard Time
FOR TOMORROW
Sun Rises .... 5.37 a.m.
Sun Sets .... 7.11 p.m.
High Water .... 1.49 a.m.—2.22 p.m.
Low Water .... 8.10 a.m.—8.31 p.m.

The Evening Times-Globe

The Weather
Saint John area: Sunny today, clouding over after midnight. Intermittent rain Friday.
Maine: Increasing cloudiness. Rain this afternoon. Showers Friday, little change in temperature.

FIRES ANOTHER BROADSIDE AT FINANCE BOARD

Councillor Mitchell Reiterates 'County Unit Not Doing Job'

Matter Of School Finances Again Before Meeting Of Lancaster City Council; Councillor Stands Behind Earlier Statements

Verbal sparring between Lancaster Alderman Parker D. Mitchell and the County School Finance Board was resumed last night, when Mr. Mitchell reiterated his declaration that the board was "not doing its job in a proper manner." At last night's Lancaster City Council meeting, he turned his guns on a statement which the board had issued last week in reply to criticism voiced by Mr. Mitchell at an earlier council meeting.

In its statement in reply! the board had said it spent hours considering amounts of supplementary budgets and accused Mr. Mitchell of ignoring facts. The alderman came back last night by charging the board with "full responsibility for errors" in computing supplementary budgets in Lancaster School District No. 2.

To back up his contention, Mr. Mitchell read to council a letter from R. A. Ross, chairman of the board of assessors, referring to a supplementary budget for School District No. 2 of $57,000 for the year 1952. Mr. Ross's letter advised councillors to discuss this with trustees of District No. 2, and later reported that some effort should be made to reduce this supplemenary budget.

Mr. Mitchell went on to recall that the matter was consequently referred to the finance committee of the Municipal Council, and meanwhile negotiations continued between Mr. Ross and trustees of District No. 2. Then a letter was received from the school trustees authorizing councillors to levy the amount of $9,000 as the full amount of the 1952 supplementary budget.

To climax the matter, Mr. Mitchell said, the County School Finance Board wrote the county secretary saying they had unanimously agreed to reduce the supplementary budget from the original $57,000 to $9,000. Mr. Mitchell told council the full responsibility of this error must be borne by the County School Finance Board.

He went on, "It makes one wonder. . .when a board such as the County School Finance Board, who say that they. . . spend hours going over these budgets should make such a glaring error of $48,000 in checking the budget from one district only. More especially since this error was so quickly observed early in the year by both the county treasurer and the chairman of the Lancaster assessors. In my opinion, the board should have been the first to discover this."

Similar Situation

Then he told council; "A similar situation exists this year. The councillors of the City of Lancaster believed the supplementary budget for District No. 2 was too high and instructed Mr. Ross to interview the school trustees. Notwithstanding the fact that the county school finance board had approved the budget, the trustees have now agreed to reduce it by $14,250."

Mr. Mitchell said he would stand behind his earlier statement that the board wasn't doing its job in a proper manner, and warned that he could carry the argument further. He said, "If the board wishes to continue the controversy, I have other similar instances to bring to the attention of this council and the public, to show that proper care has not been used in the reviewing of the various school budgets.

In connection with the controversy, a letter was received from the trustees of Lancaster School District No. 2 taking exception to Mr. Mitchell's earlier criticism. The trustees felt they had "set an excellent example in curbing expenses and entered into financial arrangements which have proved most advantageous to ratepayers of District No. 2."

Unforeseen Savings

The trustees letter advised of the $14,250 reduction in the 1953 supplementary budget referred to by Mr. Mitchell, attributing the reduction to "unforseen savings and completion of the building and furnishing of the Barnhill Memorial School."

Mr. Mitchell replied he had found it "very commendable" that the Barnhill School had been built so well within estimates, but if the trustees of District No. 2 took offence, he would point out that the supplementary budget for 1952 had been reduced from $57,000 to $9,000 and "the $57,000 should not have been put in there in the first place."

Mr. Mitchell said his only criticism was that "they are budgeting for amounts not required. We saw right away that their supplementary budgets were out of line." Other aldermen did not enter the controversy and the trustees' letter was received and filed.

Lancaster City Names Coronation Day Committee

Group Of 20 Will Decide Observance Arrangements For All Citizens

A 20-member committee, with Lancaster City Council as its nucleus, was formed last night to develop plans for the June 2 Coronation observance in Lancaster. Mayor Thomas B. Horsler was nominated to head the committee, which will hold its first business meeting next Monday night at 7.30 o'clock in the Lancaster City Hall.

Some perplexity as to how Lancaster Coronation observances might fit in with Saint John plans was apparent at last night's meeting of citizens with the Lancaster Council. Mayor Horsler said Saint John's plans didn't seem certain yet and he felt one of the first steps of the Lancaster group should be to get as clear as possible a picture of the Saint John plans.

Suggestions of co-ordinating the Lancaster observance with that of Saint John came from the floor of the meeting, coupled with the idea that Lancaster should sponsor some individual observance of its own. Tentative ideas included a church observance for Lancaster in the morning, a band concert and school children's singing in the afternoon and a bonfire or dances in the evening. One citizen suggested that street dancing, formerly popular in Lancaster, be revived.

Plans Necessary

Mayor Horsler advised that services of the Carleton Cornet Band have been engaged for the day, and Alderman Parker D. Mitchell told citizens that the council was prepared to spend money on the observance, but plans would have to be outlined before a budget could be prepared.

Fireworks, dances and parades planned by the City of Saint John might well detract from Lancaster observances unless

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Dry Dock Employes Busy On Big Vessel Program For Royal Canadian Navy

New construction, conversions and refitting of naval ships for the Royal Canadian Navy at the Saint John Dry Dock Company Limited, is currently giving employment to between seven and eight hundred men and there appears to be plenty of additional work for months ahead.

This information concerning the naval program at the large East Saint John plant was given this morning by Commander E. Revfem, Ottawa, deputy assistant chief of naval technical services (ships) for the defence department. He arrived in the city yesterday on a tour of inspection. He said he found a marked improvement and much progress in the naval work at the dry dock since his previous visit in January. Another Ottawa defence department official, W. German, arrived in the city today to confer with Commander Revfem and dry dock officials.

COMMANDER REVFEM

Resident Overseer

Construction Lt.Cmdr. G. H. O. Rundle is the resident naval overseer for the defence department in connection with the navy's construction and repair work at the Dry Dock Company's plant.

In addition to the navy work several hundred additional workers are employed at the dry dock making repairs to passenger and freight ships as well as the company's extensive construction contract building the new extension to Pugsley Terminals.

Commander Revfem stated that among the larger naval contracts carried out recently at the plant was the refitting of a Bangor class escort vessel for the RCN. A second ship of the Bangor class is also nearing completion. Minesweepers of a new type are also being constructed he said.

Much other work is now being carred on or expected to be started in the near future. This includes refits such as was completed recently on the Algerine class minesweeper HMCS Wallaceburg. The visiting naval expert said the work done on this ship was "very good." The Wallaceburg is now based at Halifax.

Plenty Of Work

Commander Revfem indicated that there is plenty of work to be done to place Canada's naval craft in fighting trim.

He pointed out that, with Canadian industry on a peacetime footing, many delays were being encountered in securing materials which go into naval construction and repair work.

Jewish Community Plans Anniversary Celebration Here

Observance Will Mark Independence Day In State Of Israel

Cantor Eugene Goldberger of the Adath Israel Congregation of Montreal will be the guest artist at a gala celebration commemorating Yom Atzmaut, Independence Day of the State of Israel, to be held Sunday evening in the vestry of Congregation Shaari Zedek, Saint John, at 8 o'clock.

Cantor Goldberger was born in Czechoslovakia, a descendant of five generations of Cantors. After leaving high school, he was graduated from the Royal Conservatory of Music in Vienna and did post-graduate work in Milan. He began his professional work in Austria and appeared in Yugoslavia and Czechoslovakia before he settled in Copenhagen, Denmark.

In that city he was soloist under the renowned Thomas Jensen, director of the Tivoli Concert Hall Orchestra. He also starred on the state radios in many European capitals.

While he trained as a concert artist, Eugene Goldberger also graduated from the well-known cantor seminar in Vienna. He

Cantor Goldberger

has become a recognized authority on Hebrew Liturgical music, and knows intimately, the works of the great masters.

Came To Canada in 1946

He came to Canada from Copenhagen in 1946 to accept the appointment as cantor of Adath Israel Congregation, Montreal, one of the largest Synagogues on the continent. There, at services, his golden voice and remarkable interpretations have won him the ardent admiration, not only of synagogue members, but visitors as well. He is in considerable demand as a guest soloist in Montreal and in many other communities.

The talented tenor-baritone will present a program of traditional liturgical selections, Israeli folk songs and ballads.

Dr. Samuel Milrod, of this city, will accompany the cantor at the piano.

Rabbi Avrohom Green, spiritual leader of Saint John Jewish community, will deliver a brief message entitled "Five Years of Statehood," concluding with a prayer of thanksgiving. Rev. E. Slotki will recite a prayer for the welfare of Israel.

Mitchell S. Bernstein, Saint John, a national vice-president of the Zionist Organization of Canada, will extend greetings on behalf of his organization.

The program will commence

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Noted Evangelist To Address Young People's Meeting

Rev. Roy D. Campbell Speaks Friday, Saturday At Waterloo Street Baptist

Rev. Roy D. Campbell, president and evangelist of the Maritime Gospel Association, and director of Moncton Youth for Christ, will be special speaker at a Saint John city Baptist Young People's Union spring conference to be held at Waterloo Street Baptist Church Friday and Saturday.

Mr. Campbell was born in Montreal and received thorough academic training before taking up duties in a well-known church in Ontario. He has preached from some of the foremost pulpits in Canada and the United States. He will address the opening session of the conference to be held at 7.30 p.m. on Friday, and the second session of the conference, to be held Saturday afternoon at 2.15 p.m.

On Saturday afternoon, three discussion groups will be held. Rev. G. N. Hamilton will lead a discussion on "Christian Youth and Our Vocation"; Rev. Harvey L. Denton, "Christian Youth in the Home," and Lic. Gordon Driscoll, "Christian Youth in the Church."

At 6 p.m. on Saturday, there will be a banquet, and at 7.45 p.m., the concluding meeting of the conference will be held. Lt.-Cmdr. Wilbur Brown, HMCS Brunswicker, will be guest speaker at this meeting.

The conference is being sponsored by city council of the BYPU and the officers of this organization are: Honorary president, Miss Audrey Keddy; president, Robert Veysey; first vice-president, Walter Crossman; secretary, Miss Mary Sherwood; treasurer, Albert Smith; press reporter, Miss Ruth Hitchcock, and adult counsellor, Rev. Maurice Fletcher.

THE MAN on the STREET

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It won't be long now.

Pretty soon, we are told, the robots will be ready to take over office jobs. Mechanical brains that reproduce themselves and make their own decisions recently have been perfected.

News about such robots was a highlight of the 75th anniversary celebration of the Case Institute of Technology at Cleveland.

Dr. Claude Elwood Shannon of the Bell Telephone Laboratories—pioneers in robot production—told the convention about the latest developments.

One robot has been made, he said, which is capable of reproducing itself. The second machine then builds another one, and so on.

Computers that play chess, checkers and bridge now are fairly commonplace.

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Dr. Shannon himself has built what is now a famous "mechanical mouse." This gadget learns by experience. Put it into a maze and it gets lost like any other mouse. It collides with the walls, makes false turns and finally, after a long time discovers the way out. However if the mechanical mouse having once found its way out is put back in the maze it goes through no such confusion a second time. It remembers the correct route and picks a practically unerring route to the exit.

Limited success has already been achieved with a "translating machine which automatically, and at lightning speed, translates German into English. So far, the translations are not perfect, but they are recognizable.

The construction of high-speed computers is relatively new. It started, says Dr. Shannon, about five years ago, and since then the computer has made enormous strides.

Just where machines differ in ability from human brains is hard to tell, Dr. Shannon says. And while no mechanical brain now in existence can compose a sonnet, paint a picture or write a good book, there is no reason to believe mechanical brains of the future won't conquer such fields.

Now there is something to think about.

If the day should arrive when robots can write sonnets and paint pictures, they should also be able to write newspaper columns.

That's the day we're waiting for. We'll buy the first one off the assembly line—and then we'll sit back and watch it sweat over a daily yarn, such as you find in this corner.

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And if a robot never sweated before, he'll have ample opportunity to learn when he arrives at the office each day to find an empty column staring him in the face.

Yep, that's the day we're waiting for.

First Pastorate At Kingsclear

REV. RICHARD J. COUGHLAN

Among the changes in the clergy in the Diocese of Saint John, announced last night by His Excellency Most Rev. P. A. Bray, CJM, bishop of Saint John, was the appointment of Rev. Richard J. Coughlan, St. Ann's Parish, Kingsclear. Father Coughlan, at present assistant priest in St. John the Baptist Parish will succeed Rev. Thomas C. Beck. He is the son of Mrs. Thomas F. Coughlan, 116 Waterloo Street, and the late Mr. Coughlan. Father Coughlan has been assistant priest at St. John the Baptist Parish since his appointment in 1945.

Big Housing Plan Placed Before Lancaster Council

Council Defers Action Pending Completion Of Survey

Lancaster City Council last night heard a proposal for construction of a housing project which might number 400 homes in the Hatheway sub-division area of the new city. Council proceeded cautiously on the matter, deferring action until completion of a lot survey now being carried out by City Engineer A. R. Bonnell.

The housing scheme was outlined by representatives of Community Enterprises Ltd., the Montreal construction firm which is presently engaged in building the Rifle Range extension development in Saint John. However, there were indications that other firms have also approached the Lancaster council with offers for developing the 85-acre area behind Manawagonish Road.

Cost of sewerage installations and street paving if the area were developed loomed as the biggest hurdles to be overcome in negotiations. Alderman T. Arthur Doherty said "the firm which gives us the best offer on what they will do regarding a trunk sewer to serve the new houses will be the most interesting to us."

R. D. Quart, who appeared with engineer Scott Babin representing Community Enterprises Ltd., indicated that the firm would seek to obtain the 1,500 lots in the area at one dollar per lot. A protective agreement to be drafted would turn over only so much of the land to the company at first, with the stipulation that 50 houses would have to be constructed by the end of this year if the remainder of the land were to be obtained.

No Trunk Sewer

The company proposed to install sewers itself, but Alderman Doherty pointed out that no trunk sewer existed there at present. Cost of paving streets and roads for the new development might also affect the overall tax rate for the older established areas of Lancaster, by boosting it.

Said Alderman Doherty, "Most of the older sections have their services pretty well paid for, and their tax rates are fairly high. If cost of the new development would boost their rates they'd kick . . . It might make it uninteresting for people to live here at all."

Aldermen Doherty and Parker D. Mitchell pointed out that no local improvement laws covered Lancaster and improvements for any one area had to be paid for out of the overall "pool" system.

Alderman Mitchell felt the council couldn't very well deal with the matter until it had some estimate of how much it would cost to install trunk and branch sewers for the area. He told the construction company representatives, "someone along the line is going to have to pay for those sewers, either your firm, the people who purchase the houses, or all the taxpayers."

Mr. Quart felt an arrangement could be worked out whereby the purchaser of the proposed new homes would be willing to pay the cost of the installations. However, Alderman Mitchell noted that nobody was in a position to say what the sewers would cost until a lot survey now being conducted by the city engineer was completed.

Mr. Quart said he had been under the impression that a main trunk sewer ran through the area, but was informed that only an open ditch existed. In general, he said his company proposed to build and offer for sale possibly 400 homes forming a residential community, with a community centre and shopping centre. He said he would like to have a council decision as soon as possible to take advantage of the summer building season.

Alderman Mitchell felt, however, that the matter couldn't properly be discussed until the surveying report of the city engineer was available. The engineer advised that it would probably take about two weeks to complete the survey. Mayor Thomas B. Horsler noted that there were "a couple of other parties interested in development of this area, and we've assured them we won't do anything until we have that survey."

Alderman Doherty felt the sewerage problem was the most important issue in the situation. "We're not prepared to embark on a program that will boost taxes in the area, but we'd like to see the place grow." Council promised the construction firm an answer in two weeks time.

Western Wheat Being Shipped To Saint John

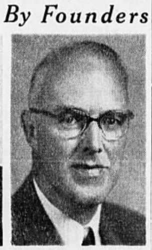
OTTAWA—(CP)—Trade Minister Howe said today that in view of the Vancouver grain elevator tieup he presumed the Canadian wheat board would sell more export wheat from Atlantic positions if it could do so.

The minister told Samuel Balcom L—Halifax in the Commons that the two-month-old strike of Vancouver grain handlers has placed an addition burden on eastern routes.

Wheat is being sent to Saint John and Halifax to fill elevators there but whether wheat would be shipped for export from those positions he could not say. He presumed that if the wheat board could sell export wheat from Saint John and Halifax it would do so.

Marking 87th Anniversary, MRA Continues Traditions Established By Founders

HARRY BROOKS



GORDON H. NICHOL

One of the largest department stores in Eastern Canada, Manchester Robertson Allison Ltd. of Saint John is marking the 87th anniversary of its establishment.

In an interview, Gordon H. Nichol, secretary-treasurer and general manager of the firm, said that it was the aim of the firm to maintain and carry on the tradition of high quality service set by the founders in 1866.

The firm's founders—the late James Manchester, James F. Robertson and Joseph Allison—he said, in forming their partnership, founded a quality store where people could buy with confidence.

Mr. Nichol said that in setting an example of integrity, honesty and service, these men had laid the foundation of leading merchandising firm in the Maritime Provinces. The example of these men had at times been difficult to follow, but the firm had at all times attempted to do its best in maintaining a fine quality of service to the community.

More Than Landmark

This fine old store had seen the birth of Canada and had grown with it, keeping always in mind the ideal of giving buyers exactly what they desired. The store had been not only a landmark in the community, but had attempted to share the responsibilities and changes in service and custom the years had demanded.

The store has prided itself on the quality of merchandise it offers, and its employes have always gone to great pains to insure the shopping public of Saint

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William D. Burke Dies At Residence

William D. Burke died at his home, 97 Hawthorne Avenue, last evening, after a brief illness.

A son of Dennis and Elizabeth Burke, he was born at Cape Bald and resided here for the last 34 years.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Maud Burke, one son, Lloyd, both of Saint John; two sisters, Mrs. Frank A. Bourgeois, Fredericton, and Mrs. Hector Sutherland, Amherst, N.S.; five brothers, James and Rennie, Campbellton; Frank, Amherst; Teddy and Leslie, Portland Me.

A shoemaker by trade, he was a veteran of the First World War, having served from 1914-18 overseas with the 236th Battalion and the 24th Siege Battery.

He was a member of the Holy Name Society of Holy Trinity Parish and of the Order of the Buffaloes.

Funeral will be held from Fitzpatrick's Funeral Home, 104 Waterloo Street, Saturday morning at 8.45 to Holy Trinity Church for solemn high mass of requiem at 9 o'clock Interment will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

POWER BOAT CLUB TO MAKE CHANGES

Will Enlarge Haul-Out Yard, Provide Additional Car-Parking Space

A proposal to enlarge the haul-out yard and provide additional car-parking space on the grounds of the Saint John Power Boat Club was approved at the club's quarterly meeting. An adjoining lot of land will be purchased for this purpose, it was agreed. The commodore, Harold Peer, was in the chair.

Arrangements were completed for two events this week-end—an "all hands on deck" party at the Marble Cove clubhouse on Saturday evening and the club's annual winter church service, on Sunday evening at St. Luke's Church.

A pleasing feature of the occasion was the presentation of a handsomely framed photograph of Ronald M. McAvity, a past commodore of the club, presented by another past commodore, R. A. Adams. The photo will be placed with others in a collection displayed in the club building.

The members welcomed back H. P. Bayer, also a past commodore, who has been absent from many recent meetings due to illness. A decision was made regarding the ultimate destination—to be Grand Lake—for the annual upriver cruise this summer.

Mrs. James Daley Succumbs At Home

A host of friends learned with sorrow today of the death of Mrs. Isabelle Daley, widow of James Daley, which occurred at an early hour this morning at her residence, 76 Broad Street. One of the oldest parishioners of St. John the Baptist Parish, Mrs. Daley was born in Saint John, a daughter of the late Henry and Margaret Nicholson.

Mrs. Daley had been a resident of the South End all her life and when her health permitted had taken an active part in the work of the Ladies' Society of the parish as well as other groups.

Surviing are five daughters, Mrs. Howard Orr, St. Stephen; Mrs. George D. McCluskey, Mrs. William P. Traynor, Mrs. Frank M. Sharkey and Miss M. Bernadine Daley, all of Saint John; two sons, Harry M. Daley and J. Stephen Daley of Saint John, and 13 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Rev. W. Thomas Traynor, CSsR, of the staff of St. Alphonsus Seminary, Woodstock, Ont., is a grandson.

The funeral will be held from the residence of her son, J. Stephen Daley, 59 Broad Street, on Saturday morning at 8.50 o'clock to St. John the Baptist Church for solemn high mass of requiem at 9. Interment will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

Church Guild Plans Banquet

The regular meeting of the Mattie Currie Chapter of the World Wide Guild of Victoria Street Baptist Church was held at the home of Mrs. George Flewelling. The president, Mrs. Francis Mabee, presided.

The devotional period was conducted by Miss Doreen Powe who took "Love" as her topic. Plans were completed for a banquet at the church on June 4.

Mrs. Gordon Powe, Mrs. Gerald Black and Miss Connie Powe were appointed to a nominating committee. The program on "India" was conducted by Mrs. Burpee Webb.

N. B. Grand Lodge Sessions Continue

Business sessions of the Grand Orange Lodge of New Brunswick continued this morning at St. David's Church Hall on Sydney Street. The annual meeting, attended by delegates from all over the province, is expected to conclude here this evening, following election of officers in the afternoon.

BIRTHS

DOBBIN—At Women's College Hospital, March 8, 1953, to Mr. and Mrs. Cedric Dobbin (nee Edith Allen), a son, Donald Frederick.

PATRIQUEN — At Kings County Memorial Hospital, April 13, 1953, to Mr. and Mrs. Glendon A. Patriquen, a daughter, Barbara Ellen, weight, eight pounds, six ounces; a sister for Linda.

STANLEY—At St. Joseph's Hospital, April 13, 1953, to Mr. and Mrs. Thorne B. Stanley, Mispec, a daughter, Margaret Linda, weight, eight pounds.

DEATHS

BURKE—At his residence, 97 Hawthorne Avenue, April 15, 1953, William D. Burke, leaving his wife, one son, two sisters, five brothers and six grandchildren.

Funeral from Fitzpatrick's Funeral Home, 104 Waterloo Street, Saturday morning at 8.45 o'clock to Holy Trinity Church for high mass of requiem. Interment in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

DALEY—At her residence, 76 Broad Street, on April 16, 1953, Isabelle Daley, widow of James Daley and daughter of the late Henry and Margaret Nicholson, survived by five daughters, two sons, 13 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Funeral from the residence of her son, J. Stephen Daley, 59 Broad Street, on Saturday morning at 8.50 o'clock to St. John the Baptist Church for solemn high mass of requiem at 9. Interment in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

GORHAM — At Saint John General Hospital on April 14, 1953, Alexander (Sandy) Campbell Gorham of Glenwood, Kings County, son of the late George and Sarah (Campbell) Gorham, survived by two sisters, two brothers, several nieces and nephews.

Resting at Chamberlain's Funeral Home, 145 King Street East, from where the funeral will be held on Friday with service at 2 p.m. Interment in Fernhill Cemetery.

MALONEY—At St. Joseph's Hospital on April 15, 1953, Margaret, widow of J. Leo Maloney, and daughter of the late John and Ellen (Hanlon) Calnan, survived by one son, one sister and three brothers.

Funeral from the residence, 613 Ready Street, Lancaster, on Saturday morning at 8.40 o'clock to St. Rose's Church for high mass of requiem at 9. Interment in Holy Cross Cemetery.

SELLEN — At Saint John General Hospital on April 15, 1953, Charles E. Sellen of 117 Acadia Street, survived by his wife, one son, two daughters, one brother, one sister, four grandchildren, several nephews and nieces.

Resting at Brenan's Funeral Home, from where the funeral will be held on Saturday with service at 3 p.m. Interment in Cedar Hill Extension Cemetery.

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