BURGESS BEDTIME STORIES

By Thornton W. Burgess

THE BOLDNESS OF MRS. REDDY

When hunger and temptation blend,
The needed courage will attend
—Old Mother Nature.

Mrs. Reddy Fox was hesitating. She could hardly be blamed for hesitating. She was peeping around the corner of a farmhouse. A fat Hen was almost within reach. But standing only a little way off were the farmer and his wife and it was broad daylight. Caution whispered to her to keep quiet, to stay where she was. But now that Hen was beginning to wander away.

From far away came the faint voice of a Hound. He was barking on the trail of Reddy Fox. Reddy had done and was doing his part. There had been three pups in that dooryard. Reddy had shown himself and had barked at them to make them chase him. This had been done to give Mrs. Reddy a chance to catch a Hen. Everything had happened as planned with one exception. It hadn't been expected that the farmer and his wife would step out when they heard the Dogs bark.

Those two-legged folks were standing back to her. This was Mrs. Reddy's opportunity. Was she bold enough to run out and catch that fat Hen while those two folks were standing there?

"If Reddy were here in my place he would do it," thought Mrs. Reddy. The Hen moved a little farther away. It was now or never.

"Cut-cut-cut-cut!" said the Hen, and took another step away.

That was enough for Mrs. Reddy. She dashed out, seized that Hen, swung it over her shoulder and raced straight away for the woods.

All the rest of the Hens began to squawk and raced for the Henhouse.

"For the land's sake, that Fox has got one of the Hens!" cried the farmer's wife.

The farmer said nothing. He ran back into the house and in a moment he was back out with a gun in his hands. By that time Mrs. Reddy was too far away to be in danger from the dreadful gun and the farmer knew from experience it would be useless to try to follow her.

"There must have been two Foxes," growled the farmer.

"What makes you think there were two?" his wife wanted to know.

"Listen!" said the farmer. "Don't you hear Old Spot? The Fox he is chasing certainly isn't the Fox that got that Hen. Those two Foxes were working together. One of them led the Dogs off, while the other caught the Hen. It's an old Fox trick but it takes a smart pair to do it, and a bold pair."

"The poor things must be awfully hungry to do such a bold thing," said his wife.

The farmer nodded. "I guess they have a hard time of it in the kind of weather we've been having," said he. "We'll have to keep the Hens shut up now in the daytime. Old Spot will give that Fox he is chasing a good run, but sooner or later he'll lose him. Those other two Dogs are of no use when it comes to chasing a Fox. Here they come back now."

She dashed out, seized that Hen swung it over her shoulder and raced straight away for the woods.

Sure enough, into the dooryard limped the Dog called Towser. And frisking around him, but looking a little tired, was the small Dog. They had had some excitement, but now they were content to come home.

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. HANNAH ROGERSON

After a brief illness, of less than one week, there passed to her rest on Jan 3, 1956, at the home of her nephew, B.C. MacKay, Coleman P.E.I., Mrs. Hannah Rogerson, so well known as "Aunt Hannah", in her 104th year, the last of a family of thirteen.

The late Mrs. Rogerson, daughter of the late John and Flora (MacNevin) MacKay, was born in Desable, Jan 20, 1852, and after her marriage to Leonard Rogerson moved to Milo, P.E.I. where she lived until one year after her husband's death which took place on March 1925.

After residing for some years in Maine with her family, the late Mrs. Rogerson, in Sept., 1941 returned to P.E.I. and took up residence with her nephew, B.C. MacKay, Coleman, where and in which community, she was highly respected and greatly esteemed. The late Mrs. Rogerson was a member of the Coleman Free Church of Scotland.

She leaves to mourn four sons, John James, and Jeffrey of Maine U.S., and Philip of Coleman, P.E.I. One son William (Brockton, Mass.) predeceased her two years ago; and one daughter Flora Ann, Mrs. Howad, (Springton, P.E.I.) predeceased her one year ago. There are eight grandchildren, and five greatgrandchildren.

The funeral which was largely attended was held on Thursday, Jan. 5, 1956, from the residence of her nephew. Interment was in the Milo Free Church of Scotland cemetery.

Two sons, Jon and Jeffrey Rogerson, and two grandsons, Leslie and Dale Rogerson, motored from Maine, to attend the funeral.

The funeral services were conducted by Rev. J.H. Bishop of Charlottetown. The pallbearers were: William Coughlin, Byron MacPhee, George Campbell, Albert Milligan, Charles B. MacLean and Ronald MacDonald.

FLORAL TRIBUTES

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Th family.

WREATH

Nieces and Nephews.

CRESCENT

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Boyles nd Alice.

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Friends in the Community.

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Coleman Women's Institute.

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MAYOR STEWART

of the past century. We must now turn our thoughts to future and we must look to it with confidence.

FINANCES

The cost of our Centennial is of interest to our Citizens. I am proud to say, that while the outlay in this respect was actually $39,403.47, there was no increase in the tax rate, it remained at $2.75, and notwithstanding this extraordinary expenditure I am pleased to report a surplus in revenue over expenditure of some $30,952.22.

HIGH SCHOOL

While the Charlottetown High School was officially opened in December 1954, it was not completed until 1955. Consequently, the financing of this project confronted our Council in the compiling of the 1955 estimates, and your Council gave very much thought and study to the different ways and means of liquidating the debt for this most necessary school, for the furtherance of our children's education.

Your Council did not feel that this should be a charge against the real estate property, therefore, with authority under amendments to the City Incorporation Act, passed by the Provincial Legislature in 1954, whereby an educational tax could be imposed on males and females; your Council passed a by-law authorizing the City Assessor to put such Educational tax into effect. The revenue from this source takes care of the interest and amortization of the serial bond issue made to pay for the cost of the school. I am happy to say here, that these serial bonds sold at a price of 99.428 (with interest varying from 3¼ to 3¾ over a twenty year period). Truly an exceptionally high price.

PROVINCIAL AID

As a result of representations made to the Provincial Government financial assistance was given in the form of a grant in lieu of pavement of the Streets, which are the main arteries to our City, joining the Trans-Canada Highway. We were also given the right to continue the real estate tax on certain properties, which were previously privately owned, but are now the property of the Government while the former grant is not annual, and was made in 1955 only, the latter will continue to be an item in our yearly Real Estate Revenue.

NOT ENOUGH

I feel, however, that this City is not getting its proper share of the Dominion-Provincial grants, from the Provincial Government in its per capita grant. Municipalities in other Provinces are receiving many times more than the City of Charlottetown.

At the present time we have the right to tax Federal property with certain limitations which I will refer to later, when I deal with Federal Aid. I feel that a similar system as that which allows us to tax Federal property should be inaugurated to deal with Provincial properties. I feel also that this municipality should certainly be entitled to tax at least part of the stock in the Liquor Store, proportionately to that which is purchased by residents of our City.

I feel, likewise, that we should be entitled to a share of the gasoline tax, based on the gallonage consumed by the motor vehicles owned by our citizens.

FEDERAL AID

Through the efforts of the Federation of Mayors and Municipalities, the four per cent exemption of federal property was dropped to two per cent, and supplementing this with a considerable increase in the assessment on the new Federal building, based on the progress of construction, has meant a great deal to our City's finances. By way of comparison, in the year 1954, we received as a total payment for the years 1952, 1953, and 1954, the sum of $6,308.55. With reduction exemption from 4 per cent to 2 per cent, and with the increase in assessment we received $21,574.00 for the year 1955.

To sum up the financial picture, Revenue and Receipts were 101.2 per cent of the current levy. The percentage of the 1955 Real Estate levy collected during the year was 90 per cent. The percentage of the 1955 Personal Property and Business Tax levy collected was 87 per cent. The Educational Tax collected was 64 per cent.

Gentlemen, this shows that your Finance committee has worked very strenuously during the year and have accomplished a great deal. We offer to them, and to the Chairman, Councillor Johnstone, in particular, our sincerest congratulations.

STREETS

A most extensive street paying and parking area program was carried out by the Street Department, under the Chairmanship of Councillor P. R. McCormac. This was supplemented by a chip sealing program. Work was started just as soon as conditions permitted and was continued until late Fall. Practically all the streets of our City today are either asphalt or chip seal; thus the dust nuisance has been practicaly eliminated.

PUBLIC PROPERTY

During the year a great deal of work was accomplished by the Public Property under the Chairmanship of the Late Councillor Keefe and Councillor MacDonald. It was with regret owing to the unfortunate illness of Councillor Keefe that a change in the Chairmanship was necessary. I felt that Councillor Keefe should be relieved of responsibility so that he might be better able to regain his health. However, Divine Providence ruled different and not only this Council but the City of Charlottetown, suffered a severe shock when we heard that the late Councillor Keefe passed away on the 2nd. day of January of this year. Councillor Keefe served the City well, and this Council Board has lost a prudent businessman whose interests were always for the betterment of the City of Charlottetown, which he loved so well.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

To Councillor Gormley, Chairman of Police, and members of his Committee, I must congratulate you on a job well done. Centennial Year has made it a busy one. I believe, through your enthusiasm and energy, the Charlottetown Police Force is second to no municipal Police Force, from the Chief to the Junior Constable, they have been untiring in their efforts at all times, to see that this important branch of the City's work has been well looked after. I know you have given unstintingly of your time. I believe that your regular monthly meetings and special meetings have been a big factor in having the police force function with smoothness and efficiency, and, today recognized by all our Citizens.

The year saw the retirement of Deputy Chief Higgins, after long, faithful and efficient service, may he long enjoy his pension, and to our new Deputy Chief Webster, our congratulations on a promotion well deserved.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Fire Department under the Chairmanship of Councillor Gaudet had a very busy and successful year., although they did exceed their estimates by approximately $2,000.00. We must congratulate them, not only on their efficiency as a fire fighting force, but, also on the splendid hosts they were to visting firemen, during their convention here.

MARKET

The Market, under the Chairmanship of Councillor Gaudet and Councillor Hutcheson, also had a very busy year. Early in January the Scale House opened on it's new location, and with new weighing rates. Councillors Gaudet and Hutcheson are both deserving of great credit for their wonderful interest and supervision of the Scale House, Civic Centre and Market Building.

LIGHT

Councillor MacDonald and his Committee have certainly added much to the Street lighting by the installation of new mercury filament lamps which have replaced the old type street lamp. Councillor MacDonald gave much time and thought to the lighting of our City, in the replacing and relocating of old lamps and in the addition of new ones, also in the trimming of trees, so that the maximum light would be obtained from the particular fixture.

TENDER

During the year this Committee under the Chairmanship of Councillor Hutcheson and Councillor Wright dealt with 16 tenders. The disposal of these tenders appears in the report of the Tender Committee.

BY LAWS

The year, 1955, saw the passing of the following By-laws:

Jan. 18th. A By-law to amend the By-law establishing a restricted Building Zone.

April A By-law to restrict the tax valuation of the Charlottetown Hotel,

April 12th. A By-law to amend the By-law to establish and regulate a restricted Building Zone.

April 12th. A By-law to amend the By-law relating to non-residents doing transient work or labor in the City.

May 7th. A By-law to authorize the issue of Debentures of the City of Charlottetown in the principle amount of $150,000.00

May 7th. A By-law to authorize the issue of Debentures of the City of Charlottetown for the Board of School Trustees in the principle amount of $600,000.00.

May 7th. A By-law to authorize the issue of General Civic Debentures of the City of Charlottetown in the principle amount of $250,000.00.

July 11th. A By-law to amend the By-law relating to Dogs and the the taxing thereof.

Oct. 12th. That the By-law to amend the By-law to regulate traffic in the City of Charlottetown.

NEW BUILDING

The year saw the opening of the new T. Eaton Store, which is definitely an asset to our City.

The East end of our City was also the scene of much activity by the Irving Oil Company, and the Imperial Oil Company, in the erection of storage tanks to look after the needs of our people, in both gasoline and fuel oil.

Worthy of mention too, is the beautiful new building on Prince Street, the property of the Guardian Publishing Company, also the annex to Notre Dame Academy, and the renovation of the Sports Arena. These various projects played a large part in the employment of both our skilled and unskilled labour.

AIR PORT RUNWAYS

The matter of extending the runways at the local Airport was again taken up with the Minister of Transport, the Hon. G. C. Marler, and we hope that with this coming year, our runways will be adequate to take care of the larger type aircraft, and that the maintenance of M. C. A. will be carried on at the Charlottetown Airport, rather than at Moncton, where it is noew being done. Then, too, in the new year we look forward to the new Naval Headquarters, at Paoli's Wharf, which should also help in the absorbing of the unemployed.

FEDERATION

Last year, in company with Councillor Johnstone and my City Clerk, I attended the Annual Conference of the Federation of Mayors and Municipalities, held in Edmonton, Alta. It was a very successful conference, and many important discussions took place. The influence of this organization on the Federal Government is felt more and more each year in the Municipalities throughout Canada.

Not only have their results been responsible for the taxing of Federal Properties in the various municipalities, but from the office in Montreal the solution of problems, relative to cities and towns, can be found.

Might I point out one instance: the method of assessing property in our own City has been the recognized as the example of equitable assessment throughout the length and breadth of Canada. When we were seeking a solution in this particular phase of Civic government, we applied to the Federation and were advised by them. In any other phase of civic government advice can be obtained by applying to the Federation office. Here can be found information as compiled by experts.

WATER COMMISSION

The report of the Commissioners of Sewers and Water Supply is again of thier usual high standard of efficiency and they are certainly deserving of congratulations.

I also wish to take this opportunity of expressing the thanks of my Council and myself to our Health Officer — Dr. Wendell L. MacDonald for his great interest throughout the year.

The School Board report shows a surplus of $7,438.44 in current maintenance and operations and we can congratulate them on this showing, and extend our appreciation to them for the great interest in the Education of our Youth.

LOCKE ROAD

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Gallant of Forest View were visitors on Friday evening January 20th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Arsenault of Forest View.

The meeting of the ladies of the St. Anne Club of Howlan which was to be held on Tuesday has been postponed on account of the wea- Arthur Deroches of Fores tVIET ther and road conditions.

Mrs. Jerry Arsenault and Mrs. Arthur Deroches of Forest View spent last Tuesday evening visiting in Howlan.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Gallant of Forest View were in OLeary on Monday January 16th.

Trueman Haris and son Ralph of the Locke Road were in O-Leary on Monday January 16th.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Gallant of Forest View were visitors on Saturday evening January 14th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Arsenault of Forest View.

Firmany Perry of Howlan was in OLeary on Monday, January 16. AN

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Sliced SIDE BACON, lb. 47c
Peameal BACK BACON, lb. 59c
Beef LIVER, lb. 35c
CHICKENS, CAPONS, lb. 49c
FISH STICKS, pkg. 39c
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