

# City Sewer, Street Work Bog Down In Rain, Mud

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In connection with city projects now underway, or planned for the year, Old Man Weather has saddled us with just about the most frustrating summer on record," city engineer Norman Stewart said Wednesday.

Mr. Stewart was commenting on wet weather holdups that have been created in the street paving and patching, parking area paving, installation of storm sewers, and the sidewalk improvements.

**STORM SEWER LINE**  
The project which has been giving Mr. Stewart the biggest headache of late is the installing of the storm sewer intercepter line, from Kirkwood Drive west north to Belvedere Avenue. Weather co-operating, he hopes that the project will be completed in about four weeks.

This is the project which has created a problem for the city school board, in regard to the children of the families that are scheduled to move into the co-op housing project in the North River district.

So far, the contractor, Camac Construction Ltd., has laid the 24-inch line from Belvedere Avenue, south to a point some 650 feet north of Kirkwood Drive.

Before this final link can be installed, the contractor is faced with a large hollow, which must first be filled, to a depth of approximately 14 feet. A six-foot-deep trench will then be cut through the newly filled portion in which the pipeline will be laid, connecting to the northern section in a manhole connection on Kirkwood.

**DIFFICULTIES NOTED**  
On the project, the contractor, due to the wet weather, is confronted with difficulties from two directions. The first is at a haul road to the pit from where the fill is being taken. After each rainfall, this haul road becomes a veritable quagmire, making it almost impossible to move heavily laden trucks.

The second problem is at the site where the fill is being dumped. Here, the fill is so waterlogged that the heavy road machines become mired and the high moisture content of the fill resists solid compacting.

One project that is not being held up to any great extent is the installation of an overflow pipe from the manhole on the north of Victoria Road, near a Government Pond, through the breastwork.

This is being provided in an effort to relieve the flooding conditions which occur during heavy rains, in the Churchill and Vills Avenue areas.

**TO BLOCK FLOODING**  
In order to overcome this flooding, the city workmen are installing a line 14 inches in diameter from the manhole a few inches below the crown of the present five-foot outfall, and extending it about 20 feet, just enough to penetrate the breastwork.

This line will be 14 inches above the normal high tide mark, thus preventing the tides from hampering its normal free flow into the harbor.

In regard to the street paving program, Mr. Stewart said that so far about two-thirds of the street patching has been completed, but it has not been possible to make a start on the new paving projects.

Four streets or sections of streets have been prepared ready for paving. They are, Viceroy Avenue, St. Clair Avenue, Upper Queen Street extension and Newland Crescent.

**BASE COATING**  
A number of new streets have received their base coating of gravel. Most of these are in the Brighton and North River districts. These streets are prepared to receive their asphalt coating in 1963 or 1964.

The city's other paving project, that of the off-street parking zone, is going along fairly well, Mr. Stewart said. He pointed out that the natural incline of most of the parking areas has been helpful in allowing the water to drain off.

## Swimming Unadvisable Tests Show

Swimming in the area of the bath house at Victoria Park is no longer recommended by the provincial department of health, following recent tests of the water, which showed serious contamination.

This section formerly did not indicate any serious contamination and swimming was okayed for the area.

However, tests made last week showed a deteriorating condition both at the bath house and the shore at Kirkwood Drive West, where swimming was banned previously.

The bath house area tests showed only one reading in the "good" class, with a coliform count of 45. From there the count soared to a high of 22,500 which is classified as "very bad". At Kirkwood Drive West, two "good" tests were registered, but four other tests at a bath and coliform counts of 2,500; 4,000; 8,000 and 22,500.

**SMALL COUNTRY**  
Andorra, a republic in the Pyrenees between France and Spain which has been sovereign since 1278, has an area of 311 square miles.

## PISQUID

Mr. and Mrs. Walter MacDonald and daughter Ariene, Covehead Road and Mrs. Kenneth MacDonald with son Leslie, York, were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Jay.

Mr. Edward Jay was a visitor

at Charlotte on Monday. Mr. Melvin Jardine and Miss Etta Jardine, Head of Hillsboro, were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Dover.

A large number from this vicinity attended the strawberry and icecream festival at Mount Stewart United Church

Wednesday evening. Mrs. Wallace Birt was hostess to the ladies of the Pisquid East Women's Institute Thursday night.

Miss Audrey Jay, Sherwood, spent Thursday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Jay.

Mr. and Mrs. Milford Batchelder, Charlottetown, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jay, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Earle MacDonald, Lorne Valley, were Sunday guests at the home of Mrs. MacDonald's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Jay.

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of Mrs. Jay's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter MacDonald, and Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Jay, sons Herb, George, Howard and Bruce, left Monday for their home in Redington Beach, S. I. Petersburg, Florida, after visiting friends in Charlottetown and Pisquid East.

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**PUBLIC RAILWAYS**  
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considering application Authorities said Monday they are considering an application from the Yellow Star Protest Movement, an anti-Fascist group, to hold a public meeting in London's Trafalgar Square Sept. 1. The public works min-

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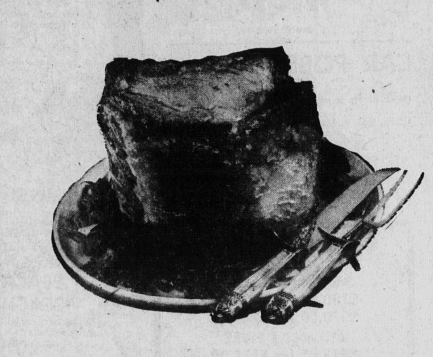
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