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BIG DEATH-TOLL FOLLOWS BUSH FIRES IN ONTARIO

ALL OF PORCUPINE DISTRICT NOW VAST BLACKENED RUIN

Two Hundred People Are Dead at Dome, Four Hundred at Golden City and Streets of South Porcupine Strewed With Bodies

SIX THOUSAND FLUNG THEMSELVES IN LAKE

Driven by a Sixty-Mile Gale, the Forests Were Like a Gigantic Blast Furnace---Relief Trains Are Being Sent---Eight Hundred Children Sent to Toronto for Safety

(Canadian Press Despatch)

Port Huron, Mich., July 13.—That hundreds of people have been lost in the fires which swept the Porcupine district yesterday, that millions of dollars of property have been done is now certain. So awful and complete has been the destruction in places, that the full extent of the death toll may never be known.

Two Hundred Dead at Dome

An indication of the ghastly activeness of the forest holocaust, it is reported from Westport, that out of the eighty-four employed there, only three escaped, while at the town of Golden City, it is believed that the whole population of two hundred souls perished.

Jumped in the Lake

At Porcupine, the six thousand people only saved themselves by jumping to the lake and jumping some managed to get out

in the middle of the lake on boats, rafts and logs. Many are believed to be drowned. The latest report from there at an early hour this morning, placed the number of dead at three hundred. At Golden City it is reported that four hundred perished in the flames.

Some of the Dead

Among those who are known to be dead at West Dome are Robert Weiss and his wife and child. Weiss was manager for the West Dome mine, and head man for Heinz, the Montana mining magnate.

Towns are in Ruins

The towns of South Porcupine, Pottsville, Dome, and a portion of Golden City are completely wiped off the map. There is scarcely a sign that human life ever existed there. At South Porcupine the streets are strewn with the dead and charred bodies of human beings, horses, dogs and cattle, showing how they had

perished. All along the mine roads are lines of charred corpses of those who had failed in trying to escape from the flames.

Like a Blast Furnace

The fire according to the stories of eyewitnesses is beyond description. For a width of twenty-five miles, the country was on fire. With a sixty mile gale behind it fanning the flames to white hot fury, the flames rushed at breakneck speed across three hundred miles of country, consuming everything it touched, and giving no chance of escape.

Money Loss is Great

Apart from the terrible loss of life, the money loss is considerable. Hundreds of farms and farmhouses with implements were burned up. Mining camps and costly mining machinery are destroyed. The mining loss at Dome is placed at \$800,000.

Relief Train is Sent

A relief train is on its way here from Toronto as fast as it can travel, bringing provisions, bedding and medical comforts for the victims. Thousands of dollars have been voted by public bodies for relief purposes.

Eight Hundred Children

Doctors and nurses are being sent in from all parts of the province. One train which passed through here today on its way to Toronto was crowded with eight hundred children and a few women, on their way out to safety.

Danger Not Over

The danger is not yet all over, though the worst has passed. The flames break out again and again in places. Golden City is the worst situated. It is now encircled by burning forests, and fears are felt lest the remainder of the town may be burned up.

Must Give Reasons

A letter from the City Board of Trade was read at the council last night asking that the water and Hydro-electric by-laws be voted on separately. The Board of Trade will be asked to give their reasons for the request.

THE BASEBALL LEAGUE FIRST EVER IN RUPERT

Establishment in Splendid Spirit of the "Prince Rupert Indoor Baseball League" Last Night—By-Laws and Rules Drafted, Membership Unrestricted

In a pleasantly purposeful manner the organization of the proposed indoor baseball league for Prince Rupert was drafted last night by a committee selected, and with the approval of representatives of the presently existing teams in the city.

It was decided that the league be entitled "The Prince Rupert Indoor Baseball League," and emphasis was laid on the fact that the league is intended to be an amateur one, no stakes to be played for.

Restricted Membership

A number of players in any team is limited to twelve, but all are registering in the league and secure members without restriction. This point came up in the question of professionalism, which was felt by some of those interested that possibly a player might find himself in the position of having previously been a professional, and it was decided to maintain the principle of the amateur game in Prince Rupert. This, however, does not impose restrictions on teams and to players who can be considered as amateurs without restriction. It was left in the hands of the Secretary to take the necessary steps to secure the removal of any of the present members of teams joining the league who may have at one time played as professionals, that money.

Spalding's Rules

Spalding's Rules are well known to the players of indoor baseball

in Prince Rupert, and the rules of the Prince Rupert Indoor Baseball League will be in accordance with these. This meets with the approval of the enthusiasts for the live game in the city.

Presiding over last night's meeting of the baseball team representatives and the committee to draw up the League By-laws Alderman George Kerr proved himself a capable chairman. Chief Vickers is Secretary and his experience and enthusiasm in all matters of live sport is of great advantage to the men, and much appreciated.

To Draw Up Schedule

On Tuesday, the 18th inst., in the Police Court Room at 8 p.m., will be held the important meeting of the committee and men interested at which the organization of the League will be finally approved, and as many as possible of the players representing teams formed, being formed, or proposed, should attend.

The closing date for receiving names of teams intending to enter the League is fixed for July 21st, and it is the purpose of the committee to draw up the Schedule on the 25th inst. If the young men of the city are half as live as they look now there should be ten teams in the league. This is the Pioneer League for the city, and enthusiasm for its success is naturally keen, even if the League were not also the forerunner of the coming Athletic Sports Park which will be obtained through its establishment.

BASEBALL SCORES

Northwestern League

Vancouver 14, Tacoma 6.
Seattle 4, Victoria 3.
Portland 7, Spokane 4.

Pacific Coast League

Oakland 3, San Francisco 0.
Portland 6, Vernon 3.
Sacramento 3, Los Angeles 12.

National League

Brooklyn 5, Chicago 3.
Philadelphia 4, St. Louis 13, 6.
Boston 6, 6; New York 4.
Philadelphia 4, New York 4.
Boston 6, 6; St. Louis 13, 6.
Pittsburg 4, Cincinnati 3.

American League

Chicago 6, Boston 3.
Detroit 9, Philadelphia 0.
Cleveland 4, Washington 3.
New York 12, St. Louis 2.

SHIPPING NEWS

Princess Mary and City of Seattle will Both Arrive Tonight.

(By Dom. Govt. Wireless)

Triangle reports the steamers Princess Mary and City of Seattle in Millbank Sound at 11.30 a.m. both northbound. Arrive in Rupert at about 10.30 tonight.

Tatoosh reports the steamers St. Julian and Yosemite, outward bound at 10.30 a.m. The schooners J. H. Lunsman, Mahoney and J. P. Bruce in at 11.15, the steamers Montana and Nelson in at noon.

Pachena reports the steamer Tees east bound off Kyquoot at 9.15 a.m.

WHOLE FAMILY DIE IN HORROR

Baffling Mystery is Finally Unravelled by a Clever Detective. Exclusive Story for the News.

(Special to the News)

London, England, July 13.—Have just finished one of the most interesting episodes in my career, and succeeded in solving the mystery of how the Tregennis family, one by one, died from horror. Watson and I nearly met the fate of the Tregennis family, before we succeeded in finding the murderer of Mortimer Tregennis, and then we concealed his crime. Watson was greatly interested in the case, and has written it up for the News under the title of "The Adventure of the Devil's Foot." It will start in next Monday's paper.

SHERLOCK HOLMES

Look out for the special coronation films that will be shown at the Phenix Theatre next Wednesday. Good vaudeville and pictures tonight.

WAY IS NOW CLEAR TO ISSUE BOTTLE LICENSES

Mayor Manson, with Ald. Kerr, Hilditch and Smith Gave the Restrictive Clause Its Quietus Last Night---Newton and Douglas Alone Opposed the Proceedings---Ald. Clayton Did Not Attend

By a vote of four to two Alderman Kerr's Liquor Licence By-law Amendment was finally adopted by the city council last night. Clause 36 of the City Liquor Licence By-law is suspended for two months. This means that the hotelmen and the other licence holders may make application for renewal of licence right up to the day of the sitting of the Licence Board.

How the Vote Stood

The voting was as follows:
Yeas: Mayor Manson; Aldermen Hilditch, Kerr and Smith.
Nays: Aldermen Douglas and Newton.

There were no verbal pyrotechnics last night. Alderman Newton wanted to have the by-law held up for six months and moved an amendment to that effect. It was defeated. Alderman Douglas moved that the suspension of Clause 36 be for the benefit of hotelmen only. This was defeated. He had one lone supporter in Alderman Newton. Alderman Clayton was absent from the meeting.

Challenged Ald. Smith

Every effort was made to have the final adoption of the significant by-law held up by Aldermen Newton and Douglas. The former finding his amendment to have the final adoption held over for six months was doomed to defeat, challenged the right of Alderman Smith to vote in view of it being an issue in which a relative was concerned.

City Solicitor Peters explained Alderman Smith could not be disqualified on the ground mentioned.

"Then I would like to ask the City Solicitor why Alderman Smith refused to vote at the Licence Commissioners' meeting?" This Mr. Peters explained was beyond his jurisdiction.

Board Meets Saturday

There was some see-sawing for a time over technicalities, then Clause 36 was legally laid aside for a two months' holiday.

Though Alderman Smith did not actually record his vote last night, the new procedure by-law

says that silence when an issue is being voted on must be taken affirmatively.

The Licence Board will meet on Saturday afternoon to issue licences and renewals to liquor sellers.

Panorium Pioneer Cleaners, Phone 4

INQUEST TODAY

Funeral of J. Stussi Killed at Work Takes Place Tomorrow

An inquest into the matter of the death of J. Stussi who died at the hospital yesterday after being injured by the fall from the crane at the Government Wharf was opened this afternoon at two o'clock. The body is in charge of Messrs. Hayner Bros., and the funeral is fixed for tomorrow from the Anglican Church.

For rent after July 31st, basement in Helgerson Block now occupied by William Grant. Apply O. M. Helgerson, Ltd.

THE FATAL HEAT IN MONTREAL

Over Four Hundred and Fifty Children Have Died There in Past Twelve Days.

(Canadian Press Despatch)

Montreal, July 13.—The effect of the recent hot wave on the health of the children of this city is shown by some startling mortality figures. First the twelve days of the month 96 per cent of the deaths which have been reported since July 1st, are those of infants under five years of age. The total number of deaths is 473, for infants 454.

For the first eight days of the month there were 432 deaths of which 324 were children. Since Saturday there have been 171 additional deaths of which 130 were children.

At the Fountain

Ice Cream Cones 5c, Ice Cream Sodas 10c, Sundaes 15c and 20c, Ice Cream 25c pint, 50c quart.—C. H. Orme, Pioneer Druggist, Phone 82.

SAYS HE DID NOT MAKE CHARGE AGAINST ALD. SMITH

Ald. Newton Says he Did Not Say That Ald. Smith Was Interested in Two of the Bottle Licences—A Protest and Explanation

At the close of the council meeting last night Alderman Smith said he wished to contradict a statement that appeared in the News on Tuesday to the effect that Alderman Newton had said that the two bottle licences were controlled by Alderman Smith. He said he had spoken to Alderman Newton about the matter and the report in the News is denied, consequently he was forced to believe the statement was printed maliciously.

Newton's Denial

"I did not make such a statement as appeared in the News," said Alderman Newton in reply to Alderman Smith. "What might have led up to the statement being printed was that I said it was generally believed that the two licences were one. I was dealing with the issue as if it were one. That is how I suppose it came to be reported. It may not have been done purposely."

The New accepts Alderman Newton's interpretation of his own remarks, and regrets if in any way an unjust inference was drawn from them. Our reporter's shorthand notes, as well as our own recollection of Alderman Newton's remarks seemed clearly to indicate that Alderman Newton was charging that Alderman Smith had an interest in two of the licences.

If Alderman Newton did not so charge—and he declares he did not—the News very gladly hastens to correct the impression previously given. It is superfluous to state that The News has no malice towards any member of the council.—Ed.

KING LEAVES IRELAND

(Canadian Press Despatch)

Kingstown, Ireland, July 13.—After a very successful visit, the King and Queen left Ireland today, sailing in the Royal Yacht for Holyhead. They will take part in the elaborate ceremonies attending the investiture of the young Prince of Wales in Carnarvon Castle tomorrow.

This Is Good

The special today and tomorrow at the Palace of Sweets is regular 80-cent boxes of rich chocolates for 50 cents. These chocolates are extra fine and made from a recipe which cost hundreds of dollars.

The new candy maker at the Palace of Sweets is an expert at his business.

On Trip to Alaska

Mrs. S. P. McMordie joins friends on board the Princess Mary today and takes the trip to Juneau, Skagway and Lake Bennett, Alaska.

On her return Miss Whyte and Miss Blish of Chicago will be her guests for a few weeks.

Where to Go

EMPRESS THEATRE, Second Ave. Pictures and Music, 7.30 p.m.

MAJESTIC THEATRE, Third Ave; Pictures and songs, 7.30 p.m.

PHENIX THEATRE, Second Avenue; Pictures and music, 7.30 p.m.

RESULTS OUT FOR HIGH SCHOOL EXAMS

Eight Out of the Ten Candidates From Prince Rupert Passed and Both Candidates From Port Essington—Exams Were Stiff and Over Fifty Per Cent. of the Pupils Failed to Pass The Tests

(Canadian Press Despatch)

Victoria, July 13.—The High School entrance examination results were made known here today, for the whole of the rural High Schools in the Province. Out of three hundred and thirty-two who wrote for the examinations, only one hundred and sixty—less than fifty per cent—passed. Prince Rupert was well above the average, eight out of its ten candidates passing the educational tests. The highest marks made in the entire

examination were by Miss Marjorie Tennant of Royal Oak School, Saanich, who obtained 827 marks out of a possible 1100.

Prince Rupert Results

Prince Rupert: Number of candidates 10; passed 8. Those who passed were Frank D. Holland, 685; Edith M. Sing, 657; H. Lloyd Johnston, 633; Wallace E. Anderson, 624; Alma M. Christiansen, 583; Genevieve M. MacDonald, 575; Kathleen F. Haslett, 570; Katharine S. Johnston, 559.

Other Local Districts

Inspectorate No. 3; Non-municipal schools; Alert Bay Centre. Alert Bay: Number of candidates 2; passed 1, Nora V. Olney, 560.
Quathiaski Centre, Cortez Island: Number of candidates 1; passed 0.
Heriot Bay: Number of candidates 1; passed 0.
Port Essington: Number of candidates 2; passed 2, Mary C. Latig, 635; Wilmot G. Rudge, 550.