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ELEVEN LIVES LOST ON THE GREAT LAKES

SCHOONER WENT DOWN IN A GALE
Crew Would Have Been Saved Had They Jumped When Told to Do So.

Houghton, Mich., Dec. 1.—Eleven men members of the crew of the Canadian steamer Maplehurst lost their lives early this morning when the vessel foundered near the upper or canal entrance to the Keeweenaw Waterway. Nine others were saved by Captain Charles A. Tucker, and the members of the crew of the coast guard station at the canal.

Not a single life would have been lost, Captain Tucker declared, if the men on the doomed steamer had acted promptly and jumped into the coast guard power boat when he told them to, as he brought it alongside the Maplehurst. Ten times Captain Tucker laid his frail craft alongside the Maplehurst and every man aboard had a chance to get off. Ten out of the twenty jumped. First, Mate Henry J. Smith missed the lifeboat and went to his death in the lake. The nine others who jumped were saved, while the ten who remained on the Maplehurst perished.

The Maplehurst, owned by the Canada Steamship Company, of Montreal Quebec, was bound for Lorain, Ohio, to Fort William with a cargo of coal. The vessel encountered a storm Thursday and Captain Menard headed his ship down the shore, intending to enter the canal, but the storm increased so rapidly that he feared to enter.

The Maplehurst continued west for three miles off shore while the storm raged with increased violence. The velocity of the wind was more than sixty miles an hour.

About 1 o'clock in the morning the pilot and wheelhouse on the vessel began to break up from the hard pounding it was receiving, and Captain Menard lighted flares.

Seeing these signals, Captain Tucker ordered the lifeboats manned. The Maplehurst was about two miles off shore and four miles west of the canal. The steamer was still under her own power when Captain Tucker and his men reached her, but was weakening from the continued pounding.

FREDERICTON BIRDS WON OUT AT MONCTON

The Provincial Poultry show, which is being held this year at Moncton, was formally opened on Thursday evening by Deputy Mayor Murphy. Mr. A. Vye Gibson, president of the Westmorland Poultry and Pet Stock Association acted as chairman and in addition to the Deputy Mayor there was an address by Hon. C. W. Robinson, Minister of Lands and Mines. Judging began on Thursday and was continued yesterday. Mr. W. H. Reid of Kingston, Ont., is placing the awards. The list of winners as published by the Moncton Transcript shows that Fredericton and Devon fanners have made a creditable showing. The list of local winners is given as follows:

R. C. Brown Leghorns—1st and 2nd hen and 1st pullet, Mrs. Charles Forbes, South Devon.
S. C. Brown Leghorns—Mrs. Chas. Forbes, 1st cock, 1st and 2nd hen, 1st cockerel, and 1st pullet.
Langshans, A. V.—Fred H. Ferguson, Fredericton, third hen.
Dark Brahmas—Fred H. Ferguson 1st cock, 1st hen.
Buff Plymouth Rocks—All prizes to George Baxter, Fredericton, N. B.
Wyandottes, A. V.—Henry Simmonds, Fredericton, 1st and 2nd hen.
Partridge Wyandottes—R. P. Allen, Fredericton, 1st and 2nd cock, 1st 2nd, 3rd and 4th hen, 1st and 2nd cockerel, 1st and 2nd pullet.

Game Season Closed

The big game season in New Brunswick closed Thursday at midnight. Fifteen days will be allowed for the disposal of meat and the getting of carcasses out of the woods. The season in general has been an average one.

CHAS. PONZI IS DENOUNCED AS A CROOK

Is Denounced by Council for the Prosecution as a Crook of the Worst Kind.

Boston, Dec. 2.—Declaring that Charles Ponzi is "the embodiment of a lie," that his business was non-existent and that there was never any such man as the Lionello Sarti who, Ponzi claims was his agent in Italy, William Flaherty, special aid to the Attorney General, scathingly denounced Ponzi in his closing arguments to the jury in Suffolk Superior Court yesterday afternoon.

"If you acquit this man on this evidence," said the Commonwealth's attorney in closing, "you are inviting every confidence man in the world to come to Massachusetts. You are saying to them, 'Ply your trade and we'll give you a pat on the back and send you to an institution, where you'll have your own stationery.' You're saying to them, 'Come on, the suckers are here to be plucked and we don't care how poor they are.'"

Mr. Flaherty declared the Commonwealth has confidence that the verdict of the jury will be controlled by the evidence given on the stand and the instructions of the court, and that it will be such that the jurors "can face their fellow citizens," feeling they "have not been subjected to any influence, whether corrupt or otherwise."

The illness of George E. Matthews a juror, held up the trial from 11 yesterday morning until nearly 3 o'clock. "Let's take Ponzi himself," said Mr. Flaherty in beginning the arguments. "Who is he? Where did he come from? What do we first hear of him? What did he claim for himself in the newspaper story introduced here? He was represented as a man of high ideals, who came to the land of the free, who wanted to help the poor and needy, who would take a cool million and return to Italy."

"How different is the real Ponzi. He appeared on this side, up in Canada, a clever, smart, far-seeing fellow, employed in a Canadian bank. The next we hear of him he's convicted and sentenced for a crime like the crime he's charged with here. Only certain kinds of criminals resort to that kind of criminality."

"O, yes, he was innocent, but for some reason his lips were sealed. He couldn't defend himself and show his innocence. He took a three-year sentence. Such altruism was never seen before and it's the same altruism that brought him to Boston, where he fleeced the widow and the orphan."

Mr. Flaherty said that in the Canadian penitentiary Ponzi met Louis R. Cassullo, who is under indictment in this case but has not been apprehended. Cassullo was in Ponzi's Boston office signing checks and taking money which he said to "charge to Ponzi," said the attorney.

"Why shouldn't Cassullo do it?" demanded the Commonwealth's attorney. "A pair of crooks that came down from Canada. Why shouldn't they divide it? That's the honest, altruistic man who said he paid every dollar."

MANY ARE HOMELESS IN N. CAROLINA

Newburn, N. C., Dec. 1.—Approximately 1,200 persons, most of them negroes, were made homeless, about 200 residences, two churches, two warehouses and several small stores were destroyed, and loss estimated at \$1,000,000 was caused by fire which late today swept twenty blocks in the western section of Newburn.

The flames, starting in the negro section, gained great headway before a high wind at the start because the local fire department was engaged on the opposite side of the town fighting a fire at the Roper Lumber Company's saw mill, where \$300,000 damage was estimated to have been done.

The wind tonight had diminished and firemen expressed the opinion that they had the fire under control, though several dwellings still were burning.

Campaign in Lanark Drawing to a Close; Premier King's Speech

VOTING WILL TAKE PLACE ON MONDAY—LIBERALS ARE TRYING TO KEEP CANADA UNITED AND GIVE THE PEOPLE A VOICE IN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE COUNTRY — THE PREMIER ACCORDED A GREAT RECEPTION.

Perth, Ont., Dec. 1.—"We are trying to keep Canada united, to let the people have a voice in the government of their own country. It may be an experiment, but surely if so, it is an experiment worth while. The British Empire is founded on the free will of the people in all of its parts. We appeal to you on Monday to give us a chance of continuing to consult the people on all important issues. It may be an experiment in real democratic government, but it is a worth while experiment."

With this appeal, Rt. Hon. Mackenzie King closed his address to the voters of Lanark village this afternoon.

Today Lanark village welcomed Prime Minister King and men and women of all parties joined in the civic welcome.

The Premier was met at Perth station and escorted to Lanark. There a civic address was presented and two meetings were held, in addition to one of the school children which Rt. Hon. Mr. King addressed.

ANOTHER BIG MEETING

At Perth in the evening, Mr. King addressed a capacity audience and also spoke briefly in front of the hall to those unable to gain admission. He read to both audiences a message received from Ottawa, saying that W. J. Hammel, Progressive member for Muskoka, had announced his intention of seeking a seat with the Liberals next session, and the announcement was received with cheers.

The premier reviewed the by-elections held since his government had brought on these contests so soon as possible in order that constituencies should not be without representation. The Meighen government, he declared, had allowed constituencies to remain without representation until at one time there were eight vacant seats in the House. The premier said he had protested against this and promised that a Liberal government would follow a different course. This promise had been fulfilled.

Mr. King again appealed for the election of David Findlay, on the ground that this would make for greater freedom of action and freedom of doubt. Purely party questions and affiliations could well be laid aside in this contest in the patriotic endeavor to give the government greater strength to fulfill its promises to the electorate.

Reviewing the situation as he had found it on taking office, Mr. King said he had sought to give a proper medium of expression to the voice of the west by inviting the Progressives to name some of their members for cabinet portfolios. This they had declined, but they had promised, and had given last session, honorable co-operation to the government. In their recent convention they had promised continuation of this honorable co-operation.

BUTTER AND EGGS ADVANCED IN MARKET

Scarcity Assigned as the Cause — Other Prices Remained Steady — Small Market.

Eggs which have shown a steady upward trend in price were selling in the country market here today at 70 and 75 cents per dozen. Butter was scarce and was selling at 40 cents a pound which is higher than it has been for some months. This was due to scarcity today.

Venison was plentiful and beef also. Other lines of produce were in their usual abundance. Prices ruled as follows—

Eggs per dozen, 65 to 70 cents.
Butter per lb. 40 cents.
Potatoes per bbl. \$1.50.
Carrots per bbl. \$1.50.
Beets per bbl. \$2.
Turnips per bbl. 55 cents.
Venison per lb. 12 to 15 cents.
Pork per lb. 16 to 18 cents.
Beef per lb. 6 to 10 cents.
Lamb per lb. 15 to 20 cents.
Mutton per lb. 10 to 12 cents.
Veal per lb. 6 to 14 cents.
Chicken per lb. 30 to 35 cents.
Fowl per lb. 20 cents.

Further Postponement

There was a further postponement Friday of the investigation into the Y. M. C. A. fire because of the continued illness of Louis Acker. Fire Marshal H. H. McLellan of St. John was ready to go on Friday but postponed the inquiry until some day next week. Mr. Acker is now able to be about.

School Inspector Fox of Gagetown is among the guests at Windsor Hall today.

GIVEN CHANCE TO RESTORE THE WATCH TO OWNER

Albert Bennett Appeared in Police Court—Left Watch Behind Him as Pledge for Money.

Albert Bennett of this city charged on the complaint of Coburn McFarlane with the theft of a gold watch appeared Friday afternoon before Police Magistrate Limerick. His statement was that he borrowed the watch from the complainant and before he returned it went to Montreal. There he became pressed for money and he left the watch with an hotel-man as security for a loan. Since his return to Fredericton he had been unable to redeem the watch.

The magistrate decided that Bennett would have a chance to make good and restore the watch to the owner and he was let go on that understanding.

The occasion of the pledging of the watch in Montreal was when Bennett left his family without informing its members of his intention.

ADMITS KILLING POLICEMAN

Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 1.—Charles Mithoefer, of Cincinnati, alias Frank W. Willis, arrested in Cleveland yesterday on suspicion of being one of the four bandits who shot and killed one policeman and injured another here Tuesday morning, today broke down and made a complete confession, the police announced. Brought here early today, Willis was arraigned in municipal court and was bound over to the grand jury.

PROGRESSIVE MEMBER TO SUPPORT GOVT.

Member for Muskoka Intimates That He Will Make a Change Next Session.

Ottawa, Dec. 1.—Liberal headquarters here is in receipt of a signed declaration from W. J. Hammel, member for Muskoka, to support the government next session. Mr. Hammel was elected as a Progressive.

Mr. Hammel voted with the government last session on the budget and asserts in his declaration that a "year's careful study of the principles and aims of the various parties convinces me that there are protectionists in all three parties and that I can be of at least as much service to my constituents and my country as a member of the Liberal party as of any other."

With Mr. Hammel sitting on the government side of the House—and presuming that the by-elections on Monday do not change his party standing—the government will have, apart from the Speaker, 117 members; Progressives, 65; Conservatives, 50, and Labor, 2.

Thus there will be 117 members on each side of the House with the Speaker, who is a Liberal, entitled to the casting vote in case of an even division.

The Progressive total given includes R. M. Johnson, of Moose Jaw, who has been unseated but whose appeal is now awaiting decision before the Supreme Court.

SAYS GOOD PEOPLE WANT THEIR LIQUOR

Tulsa, Okla., Dec. 2.—D. F. Seavers county attorney, made public his views today concerning an announcement by him that citizens of Tulsa County do not want prohibition and he would not attempt to force it on them.

"I am not going to force anything down their throats that they don't want," Seavers emphatically stated. "It isn't the bootleggers and moonshiners that care so much, but the 'good' people of the community who are putting up every impediment in the path of honest officials. I have lived 74 years and I have just concluded after two years in the county attorney's office that the people want liquor and there is no use trying to force prohibition on them."

He caused several liquor cases to be dismissed with defendants merely paying court costs.

Oklahoma City, Dec. 2.—Gov. J. B. A. Robertson today instructed Attorney General Short to proceed to Tulsa to investigate dismissal of liquor cases there by County Attorney Seavers because citizens of Tulsa County did not want prohibition.

The Governor characterized the action of Seavers as "an outrage and anarchy."

IS BISHOP OF NEW DIOCESE

Rome, Dec. 1.—Pope Pius has appointed Monsignor Francis Ross as bishop of the new diocese of Gaspe, which is in the arch-diocese of Quebec, it is announced today.

K. OF P. OFFICERS ELECTED

Marysville Lodge in Session Friday Night.

At the regular meeting of Marysville Lodge, No. 18, Knights of Pythias, held at Castle Hall, Marysville last night, the following officers were duly elected for the ensuing term:—

C. C. Percy Collings.
V. C. Dow Brewer.
Prelate, Rev. J. J. Pinkerton.
M. of W., Frank C. Miller.
K. of R. and S., Amos MacPherson.
M. of F., Herman Robinson.
M. of E. C. D. Clayton.
M. of A., Harold Manzer.
I. G., J. Flynn.
O. G., Howard Dunbar.
Trustees Rowley Manzer, John Stafford and W. H. Gray.

NEW RULE OF THE ROAD IS WORKING WELL

THE CHANGE LIKELY TO BE POPULAR

No Reports of Accidents Have Come to Hand—St. Stephen is Pleased.

St. John, Dec. 2.—The first twenty-four hours of the new right hand drive law passed without any serious mishap in this city and reports from outside points also show a remarkable absence of accidents.

The new law was carefully observed throughout the city by the drivers of all vehicles and traffic officers declared last night that everything was working exceptionally well for the first day. The drivers, as a rule, did not run so fast as usual and this helped matters greatly. Several pedestrians had narrow escapes by stepping from the sidewalk between crossings and looking in the wrong direction for the traffic.

The street cars appeared yesterday morning on the right hand track and operated all day that way, although on several occasions during the morning the schedule became disrupted somewhat from delays occasioned by the changed law. The trolley ran at the foot of King street, on the wire where the King and Prince William street lines join, was partly worn by cars operating the opposite direction with the result that the poles on the cars showed a tendency to jump off. The company had a man stationed there all day replacing the trolley poles. Men had to be stationed also at Hawker's corner and at the corner of Douglas avenue where the same trouble was experienced.

At St. Stephen
St. Stephen, Dec. 1.—The first day of the new rule of the road has passed without an accident of any kind in the border community. Locally, the change has been long desired by the vast majority living so close to Maine where the rule has always been drive to the right. There has been no confusion among teams or cars belonging here and probably will be none. Some few cars coming from a few miles inland in Maine, whose drivers have not been made familiar with the change in this side if the boundary have caused what little confusion has been experienced. The town council has employed extra traffic police and has also distributed cards for use on cars.

In Moncton
Moncton, Dec. 1.—The change in the rule of the road came into effect here at midnight last night and is being generally observed today without confusion. No accidents are reported as a result of keeping to the right.

POMEROY HAS LONGEST TERM

Boston, Dec. 2.—Jesse Pomeroy, said to have served a longer term in prison than any other person in America, celebrated his 63rd birthday at the Charlestown State Prison yesterday. He said he still had hope of obtaining his freedom by pardon or parole. He has been in prison for 46 years, serving a life sentence for murder.

Prison officials and fellow-prisoners congratulated Pomeroy, and a number of birthday cards came to him through the mail. One was sent by Nathan Pinanski, formerly a member of the Prison Advisory Board.

Exercise in the prison yard has kept Pomeroy healthy. His duties are light, but he attends to them faithfully.

Pastor Remembered

The members and friends of the Bible Study Class of the Reformed Baptist Church enjoyed a pleasant social last night at the home of Mr. L. A. Morrell, 159 Saunders street. After the usual opening exercises, the president of the class, Mr. Walter Morrell gave a short review of the work which had been taken up. This was followed by a musical programme and refreshments. The special feature of the evening was a surprise for the pastor, Rev. P. J. Trafton, when a substantial purse was presented to him as a Christmas donation in token of their love and appreciation.