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Quakes Shake Honduras For 13 Consecutive Days

People Terrified—Towns Ruined—Houses Collapse—Mountains Are Slowly Sinking and New Volcanos Appearing—Upheaval Feared.

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras, Dec. 15—Thousands of persons in the Copan and Ocotepeque regions on the northern frontier huddled in terror in mountain passes yesterday while the earth for the 13th day continued to tremble beneath them.

Houses in the little towns, their foundations weakened by repeated tremors crashed.

Cerro Negro, a towering peak in the Ocotepeque area, was throwing lava, rocks and burning ashes into the villages of La Reunion and Pomola, on its slopes, and they were ruined.

Cerro Azul, in the Copan district to the north, was trembling violently and apparently sinking. Unless it and two other peaks, Erapuca, and Carmencillo, burst into eruption and relieve pressure, inhabitants feared a calamity that would devastate the entire region.

Great earth cracks were opening all over the area, especially in the neighboring of old Mayan ruins. It was believed that Maya cities, buried for centuries, might be unearthed.

Many persons have fled northward across the Guatemalan frontier. Others are roaming through the mountain passes or in the interior, homeless and trying vainly to reach solid earth.

Fifteen small towns in the region have been destroyed since the quakes began December 2.

It was surprising that there have been specific reports of only three persons killed. It was not believed that there could be a high death list, although many people have been injured. The fact that the first two shocks on December 2, were sharp ones, sufficient to send people out into the open air before houses started collapsing was believed responsible for the small casualty list.

Live In Open

Since the first day, inhabitants of the entire area have been living in the open. Communication was disrupted.

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THESE EXPERTS RECOGNIZE SHIPS FROM AFAR

New York, Dec. 14—All steamships bound for New York are sighted before they reach port by alert telegraphers of the Western Union station at the Rosebank Quarantine Station at Staten Island. The most expert of the operators, who are on duty day and night, is David S. Brown, who has been "spotting" incoming ships for 26 years.

Brown can name a ship from afar. To the uninitiated, the ship may appear only a spot on the water, but Brown names it, and when it reaches quarantine he is always right. The operators have a card system of ship movements and when they may be expected but the cards, numbering 2,000, are seldom referred to, because the men know the ships, especially Brown. They also have powerful telescopes, but, like the cards, they are not often focused on what appears to be a black spot on the water miles away, because they have a way of their own in identifying the vessel.

Brown said he could not explain the gift.

Growing Whiskers

In the Upper Provinces some of the youth have taken to growing whiskers. At Toronto University the fad went so far that a prize was offered to whatever student produced the finest crop of whiskers. We have not heard that the students at U. N. B. have any intention of growing beards to protect them from the cold winds that sometimes sweep across College Hill. In old photos to be seen on the walls at U. N. B., many bewhiskered students appear, while nearly all the faculty have beards of varied styles. Good Old Dr. Jack had a plentiful crop; Dr. Harrison had sidelights; Dr. Stockley a vandyke, and so on.

At the Provincial Parliament buildings nearly all the old-time legislators of the seventies, eighties and nineties, such as Hannington, Blair, Landry, G. W. Colter, Dr. J. V. Ellis, Dr. Stockton and Dr. Pugsley had whiskers. York's local members: Blair, Thompson, Whitehead and Anderson, were thus decorated, while Bill Wilson had a mustache.

Where are the winter whiskers of yester year? Like the snows of that lamented period, they have vanished. They no longer have a purpose to serve, and practical mankind has discarded them.

Whiskers were formerly much worn for their decorative effect—to conceal weak mouths and chins, to lengthen a short countenance or widen a long one, to give a dignified appearance or, as scanners of old albums say, merely to make the wearer look funny.

But they were also worn, by many who were above the vanity of caring what the mirror told them, to keep the face warm. About Dec. 1st an outdoor man would lay aside his razor, and soon he had a fine thick coat of fur between his skin and the weather. Out all day in the wintry storms, he might come home festooned with icicles, but the chin and cheeks inside were unfrosted, to emerge pink and fresh in the spring.

We now require no whiskers for face protectors. Our faces are, for the most part, indoor faces. And, when we take them out of the house, we still keep a wall of wood and glass about them. The automobile sedan body, with heater, is a man's winter whiskers today.

PROFIT IS SHOWN ON THIS YEAR'S WOODSTOCK FAIR

**Exhibition To Be Held
Next Year As Usual,
Is Decision**

WOODSTOCK, N. B., Dec. 15—The Woodstock Exhibition will be held as usual next fall, it was decided at the annual meeting of the sponsoring body, Agricultural Society No. 41, held in the Town Hall here yesterday afternoon. The fair has been held without a break over a long period of years. No dates were selected today, this being deferred until a later meeting.

The 1934 exhibition showed a small profit on operating expenses, according to the financial statement submitted by the secretary-treasurer, R. W. Max. Society had been unable to look after well, who explained, however, that the insurance premium on their buildings and that the town had done this for them. A balance on hand of more than \$200 was ordered paid the town on account.

Officers were elected as follows: President, Wm. Hay; vice-presidents, Norman Palmer, H. W. Rogers, E. B. Avery, A. E. Raymond; sec.-treas., R. W. Maxwell; auditor, E. W. Mair. Wm. Hay was appointed delegate to the New Brunswick Farmers' & Dairy-men's Association convention, with H. W. Rogers as substitute.

At Black's, the old reliable home-own store, you will find gifts, useful and moderate in price. Ski suits, hand bags, party bags, lingerie Give them a call.

Fleming's, the home owned store, goods exclusive, fair prices.

LIGHTNING RUINS THE SABLE ISLAND LIGHT

**Feeble Beacon Put Up to
Warn Mariners From
Atlantic Graveyard**

HALIFAX, N.S., Dec. 15—A dim light, temporarily erected is all there is tonight to warn shipping away from the treacherous shoals of eastern Sable Island, "the graveyard of the Atlantic" after a lightning bolt demolished the 123-foot blazing beacon which guided vessels since its construction in 1873.

Coastal radio stations have advised mariners to steer a wide berth around the east bar of the sandy island off the Nova Scotia coast, which is continually shifting its position.

Lightning struck half-way up the tower at 3 o'clock yesterday morning and immediately fire broke out. Light-keeper John Gregoire and his assistant tried to enter the lower part of the lighthouse, but they were driven back by the flames.

As a storm howled overhead the two lightkeepers saw the fire eat away the centre of the tower, and then the heavy, lighting gear came crashing downwards. Delicate instruments were smashed to bits.

Residents of the island, mindful of the hazard to shipping which the light's absence offers, worked together yesterday to put up a temporary lamp which now feebly shines for ten miles seaward.

The W. Allen Staples Electrical store is offering some nice Christmas bargains in electrical goods. See his adv. in this issue.

COMMERCIAL MEN SAY THINGS ARE PICKING UP

**Premier Tilley, Others
Address Traveler's As-
sociation Banquet Held
At Moncton—Slowly
Working Out of the
Depression.**

MONCTON, Dec. 15—Climaxing several addresses of optimistic note concerning the future, Premier Tilley, addressing the tenth annual banquet of the Moncton Commercial Travelers' Association here last night, declared, "there is a silver lining in the dark clouds of the depression, and conditions are on the uplift."

During his remarks, Premier Tilley, who was the principal speaker, said that at the present time there were one-third less on unemployment relief in the Province than at the same time last year. In closing, he spoke on the hockey situation and stated: "I do not propose to speak on Maritime rights, but I do say that we in the Maritimes have Maritime hockey rights as well as other rights, and I feel very keenly when real sportsmen point out to me that we in the Maritimes are not getting a square deal. I understand the situation is a serious one for the best sport in all Canada in these provinces and I sincerely hope that something will be done within the next two or three days to save a sport calamity in these provinces."

Other speakers at the banquet were C. A. Innes, chairman and toastmaster; Mayor C. H. Blakeny, who responded to the toast to the City of Moncton; R. J. S. Weatherston, general traffic manager, C.N.R. Atlantic Region, who responded to the toast to the Railways in the absence from the city of W. U. Appleton, general manager; F. Anderson, of the T. Eaton Co. (Maritimes) Ltd., who responded to the toast to "Our Customers"; Alderman A. E. Tremblay, who responded to the toast to the Commercial Travelers; representatives of the press, and W. J. Dalziel, who responded to the toast to the Ladies.

Mr. Innes, in opening the program following a splendid dinner, pointed out that the Maritimes as a whole were seeing a business comeback. He spoke of increased lumber trade and pointed out that in the last few years "we have been in a deep depression pit, but are slowly but surely working our way out," and he urged the commercial men to go out in 1935 with more determination to bring still better results.

JUNIPER MAN GIVEN 10 YEARS

WOODSTOCK, N. B., Dec. 15—Berton Hayden, of Juniper, was sentenced to ten years in Dorchester penitentiary by Magistrate C. M. Aughterton in the Woodstock police court yesterday afternoon. Hayden pleaded guilty to an offence against a 13-year-old girl. He was arrested yesterday following investigation by R.C.M.P. Constables Graves and Hanson.

\$1,600 REALIZED FROM AUCTION

CHARLOTTETOWN, P.E.I., Dec. 15—The second annual radio auction sponsored by the Rotary Club was held last evening, satisfactory prices being secured for all articles. The auction was not concluded until after midnight, when everything was reported sold. The sum of \$1,600 was realized, for crippled children's and other charitable work.

California Dam Frees Deep Flood

BENNETT LIKENS SELF TO SALESMAN

**Tells Commercial Men
He Will Soon Be Out
On the Road Again**

Toronto, Dec. 15—The imminence of a general election cropped up on several occasions here last night hrd—last night of Prime Minister R. B. Bennett before the Commercial Travelers' Association of Canada. Traveling salesmen could be great disseminators of intelligent information among the people, he said, and should use their privilege toward securing a more enlightened electorate.

"I don't ask you to do it for any one party, but I would be thankful—even grateful," he added to the great amusement of his hearers.

Later the Prime Minister observed: "I don't know how long I will be here but from present appearances I will be a very old man when I let go; but I am a very old man now."

It had been a long time since he had gone out on the road," said Mr. Bennett, "but I will be going soon. And no traveler has ever worked harder in preparing the samples for his customers than I have in the past four years."

MORE MILK, NOT WINE FOR FRENCH ARMY SOLDIERS

Paris, Dec. 15—A solution to the problem of the over production of French wines this year has just been offered by Jean Morrison, of the Chartered General Council, who proposed that the soldiers' wine rations be doubled.

"An excellent idea," said another member of the council who raises chickens, "but what about doubling the rations of eggs used by the French army?"

No reply was forthcoming although the government recently adopted a proposal to give soldiers more milk.

Miss Billings Passed Away At St. Stephen

ST. STEPHEN, N. B., Dec. 14—Miss Elizabeth Billings, 70, passed away at an early hour this morning from a heart attack after only a few hours suffering.

Miss Billings was born in St. Andrews, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Billings and lived in the Shiretown nearly all her active and useful life until a few years ago, when she and her sister, Frances have been spending the winter in St. Stephen. Only three or four weeks ago they came to St. Stephen and engaged rooms for the winter in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Irvine on Union Street, where she passed away. Last evening Miss Billings was as well as usual and enjoyed a good supper but during the night was taken suddenly ill and passed away on the arrival of a doctor.

The late Miss Billings was a faithful member of the Anglican church, besides her sister, Frances she is survived by one brother, Charles, of Boston. Funeral at 2:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon from Trinity Church, St. Stephen, when the rector, Rev. J. T. Ibbatt will officiate. Interment at rural cemetery, St. Stephen.

Five Hundred Persons Marooned—Hundreds Forced To Evacuate Homes—Record Rain- fall In Los Angeles District.

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Dec. 15—More than 500 persons were marooned yesterday in two flood danger areas when a control dam burst, sending a wall of mud and water over highways and residential areas in the foothill district.

Hundreds of others were refugees, forced to leave their homes and seek safety in other areas.

Two hundred families were marooned in highway highlands, when a five foot wall of mud and water swept over roads in the wake of a cloud-burst which broke an earth dam in Pickens Canyon.

The Pickens debris dam burst and unleashed a ten-foot wall of mud and water on the Montrose-La Crescenta foothills area yesterday shortly after 11 homes in the canyons had been evacuated.

No lives were lost, the sheriff's office said.

The dam collapsed as torrential rains deluged the area.

Earlier, J. R. Mini, flood control engineer, sent men through the canyons, warning residents that the dam was weakening.

The sheriff's office estimated that from 200 to 300 homes were in the path of the water.

More than 30 lives were lost in the same region in floods last New Year's Day.

Dams in three other canyons were also reported weakening as debris basins filled to overflowing.

Foothill boulevard one of the main traffic arteries between Pasadena and the San Fernando Valley was closed.

The storm brought 2.4 inches of rain to Los Angeles, a 45-year record for this early in the season.

Much heavier rainfall was reported in the mountain and foothill areas.

Fire denuded hillsides drained torrents into canyons where check dams had been built.

OUR MERCHANT MARINE COST \$120,000,000

OTTAWA, Dec. 15—With 11 ships let out of sixty five and the house flag of the Government Merchant Marine vanished for every trade route save one, his Dominion government within the next eighteen months will have to decide the future of this post-war venture into the business of merchant shipping.

The cost to the taxpayers, to date, cannot be set out with precision—too many essential factors are missing from the official data—but that it will not be less than \$120,000,000 is certain.

The future of the C. G. M. M., already is being discussed in government circles. Should the government attempt to build more ships and carry on the enterprise, or should preparations for complete abandonment of state owned merchant shipping be made?

Complete abandonment of the C. G. M. M., would not infringe upon any existing trade treaty, but would necessitate an extension of the ship subsidy policy and an additional expenditure, under this heading, by parliament.