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Many Lives Are Lost As Two Vessels Go Down

Worst Marine Tragedy In Recent Years in the Gulf of St. Lawrence— Thirteen Believed To Have Lost Their Lives Near Anticosti—Gales Sweep St. Lawrence.

QUEBEC, Nov. 1—Thirteen or more persons are supposed to have lost their lives in the worst tragedy in the Gulf of St. Lawrence in recent years.

A small motorship, St. Roi David, and a small unknown schooner from St. Pierre Miquelon are supposed to be lost.

Wreckage from the St. Roi David has been found to bear witness she foundered while four of the crew of the schooner, including Captain Nicholas, struggled on a crude raft to Pigeon on Anticosti Island to report two of their number had come down with the vessel.

Word from the inaccessible territory around L'Île aux Oeufs trickled slowly into this pulp-making town to tell of the disaster. Rescue ships were speeding through the Gulf but up to a late hour tonight no bodies had been found from the St. Roi David, out of Quebec on a coastal trip.

The St. Roi David, Captain Joseph Brie, had a crew of five, and five, possibly six passengers travelling from one point to another along the bleak north shore of the Gulf. It was gravely feared all perished in the storm, one of the most violent experienced in several years.

(At Quebec charterers of the vessel, the Clark Steamship Company, expressed the belief that the St. Roi had no passengers on board as she did not possess the necessary certificate to permit her to carry passengers, but reports reaching here indicated five or six were on board.)

Little Hope Held

Impossibility of communicating with many points along the thinly populated strip of country to the northeast of Clarke City made difficult the task of checking to see whether or not the crew and passengers had landed at some outlying point. Should they have been fortunate enough to defy the blinding snowstorm with thick fog and tremendous swell during Sunday night it may be days before they succeed in struggling to some point equipped with telegraph or wireless.

Experienced navigators shook their heads. They pointed to pieces of merchandise which floated into Seven Islands Bay, marked with addresses of Gulf points—Natahquan, Havre St. Pierre—as concrete evidence the vessel had gone down and where the sturdy little motorship failed, a row-boat would have difficulty in living.

Night of Horror

Captain Nicholas of the St. Pierre vessel struggled exhausted to safety (Continued on page four)

TO ENFORCE CURFEW LAW MORE STRICTLY

Edmundston, Nov. 1—The curfew law is to be enforced more strictly here as a result of many petty thefts committed lately by children under the protective curtain of darkness. The curfew blows at 8 p.m. and all children of school age are not supposed to be seen alone after that time. A small theft of cigarettes was made at Denis Martin's store by a group of young children, the ring-leader was remanded by Magistrate Hubert for judgment on Nov. 6, and the others were freed after being reprimanded. Another youth was sentenced to one month in jail or a \$15 fine for having assaulted a playmate and injuring him in a fist fight at a local bowling alley last night.

Voice as From the Tombs

In the current issue of a magazine devoted to the trade of authorship and the marketing of manuscripts a writer's scout reports that detective fiction is not rating as high with the publishers as it did a year ago. Maybe the thrill readers have been surfeited; or maybe the thrill inventors are feeling the competition of fact.

Take, for example, the latest development in the Bruno Hauptmann story. On April 2, 1932, two men stood at nightfall by the edge of a cemetery—the youthful father of a kidnaped infant and an elderly professor. The young eyes and the old eyes strained to penetrate the gloom. The dark trunks of trees merged into the black beyond, and among them the shapes of gravestones defined themselves with a dim ghostliness. It was an eerie night of fears and phantoms, of hopes that battled against the tragic suggestions of a burial ground. Suddenly out of the impenetrable shadows came a low, guttural voice, as though the dead spoke—"Doctor! This way, doctor!"

The older man moved forward and was lost sight of. The younger man stood. Into his memory that voice, those words, etched themselves. They bit indelibly like acid, even as they stirred his hope. By acute listening to the engine of his airplane when his life depended upon it, his ear had been trained to the tempo and inflexions, the idiosyncrasies, of sound. Now when, as he believed, the life of his child depended on that voice from the dark, memory made a precise record of it.

And the other day he stood in the office of the Bronx district attorney. The jail physician was with him. A man entered. "Hello, doctor," he said. It was the very word, the very voice, of that chilly night in April, now more than two years gone. Hauptmann stood convicted in Lindbergh's heart. And the memory of that voice may yet complete conviction before a jury.

No wonder the fiction writers are discouraged.

WOODSTOCK CLUB RENAMES WINSLOW

Garrison Badminton In Annual Meeting, Officers Elected

Woodstock, Nov. 1—J. D. Winslow was re-elected president of the Woodstock Garrison Badminton Club at the annual meeting of the club, held in the town council chamber on Tuesday evening. Others elected were: first vice-president, J. B. Carr; second vice-president, A. E. Raymond; secretary-treasurer, K. E. MacLauchlan; additional members, Mrs. G. A. Dibblee, Miss Kathleen Bowlin, D. A. Lindsay, match committee, D. A. Lindsay, Mrs. A. E. Raymond, C. J. Jones; bird committee, Miss Kathleen Bowlin, Ronald Page, Mrs. K. E. MacLauchlan, C. J. Jones.

Arrangements were made for a meeting of the ladies of the club on Friday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. G. A. Dibblee to make plans for the weekly tea which will be held throughout the season at the armouries.

MARINA TO GET 800-POUND CAKE

LONDON, Eng., Nov. 1—Wedding cake records will be shattered for the wedding of Prince George of England and Princess Marina of Greece.

A cake weighing 800 pounds and towering nine feet in the air has been ordered from a prominent biscuit firm and will be completed within the next month.

It is being made according to a secret recipe used for wedding cakes for generations past, and will be shipped to London from Edinburgh in sections for icing.

Final choice of the decorations is being left to the bridal couple. King George of England will provide the "lucky sixpence", a silver coin worth about 12 cents, which will be placed in the lower tier of the cake.

HIGHWAY PAVING WORK SUSPENDED UNTIL SPRING

Almost Mile of Hard Surface Was Laid In Woodstock Area

WOODSTOCK, N. B., Nov. 1—Work of paving the trans-Canada highway between the upper town limits of Woodstock and the Hartland bridge has been suspended for the season by the Rayner Construction Company, Toronto, who are handling the job. Slightly less than one mile of paving has been laid, extending from the spot where Upper Main Street joins the provincial highway to the cross roads at Upper Woodstock. The mixing plant at Upper Woodstock station and the gravel crushing plant on the island opposite the village, have been left in place, ready for the resumption of operations next spring.

Rapid progress is being made with the reconstruction of three bridges along the road to be paved, at Clark, Barnet and Bradley brooks. At two of these points bridges of the crib work type are being replaced with concrete arch and highway embankment structures, and at the other the bridge is being extended. Concrete is now being poured and is expected that the work will be fairly well completed by the end of the week.

Work is well advanced at Bath where a modern concrete bridge is being built to replace the old covered structure, and the road straightened.

HUB BREAK CASE AGAIN ADJOURNED

Moncton, Oct. 31—A further adjournment until Friday afternoon afternoon was made by Magistrate Mitton today in the case of Moses Wainer, charged with breaking into and entering and stealing 10 packs of playing cards and \$7.50 from a local club room.

SHORT COURSE COMMENCES AT EXPER. FARM

Annual Agricultural Course Starts Tomorrow With 60 Students Expected—O. C. Hicks Is Principal.

The eleventh annual agricultural short course conducted by the Dominion Experimental Station will commence here tomorrow morning. About sixty students are expected to take the course, forty five of whom already are registered. O. C. Hicks is principal of the course.

The attendance at this year's class will be the largest in the history of the school. Subjects to be taken up are the same as in past years, being dairying, horticulture, apiary, poultry, entomological work, etc.

This course was established in 1923 and has continued with increasing success since that time both from point of enrolment and educational activity.

STEVENS IN FIGHT TO THE FINISH

Toronto Grocers Warn- ed Attempts Will Be Made to Discredit Him.

Toronto, Nov. 1—Toronto grocers had before them yesterday the prediction that Hon. H. H. Stevens, recently resigned from his federal portfolio of trade and commerce and his chairmanship of the mass buying and price spreads investigation, will fight to a finish in his campaign against unfair trade practices.

In an address before the Toronto Retail Grocers' Association, George Hougham, secretary of the Retail Merchants of Canada, declared Mr. Stevens had told him in Ottawa Sunday night he "was in this fight till the finish."

The speaker warned, however, of an effort to discredit the former minister. "There will be an organized and concerted attempt to discredit Hon. H. H. Stevens by charging that he conducted his committee's investigations in an arbitrary manner," Mr. Hougham said.

For years, the merchants' association executive head stated, that body has been urging an investigation of commerce in Canada but had gained nothing. He told the grocersmen requests for examination of the "rapidly demoralizing methods of domestic distribution" had failed until Mr. Stevens, a former grocer, had been able "to talk our own language to us and realize that there was some consideration worthy the claims advanced by retailers in Canada."

ALAUNIA MASTER DIES IN HOSPITAL

New York, Nov. 1—Captain H. A. L. Bond, master of the Cunard-White Star liner Alaunia, died at Southampton, England, yesterday of pneumonia, said a cablegram received at the offices of the line here.

Captain Bond sailed from London last Saturday for Montreal but when the Alaunia reached Southampton he was so ill that he was taken ashore to a hospital. He served with the Cunard Line for 28 years.

As staff captain of the Franconia on a cruise around the world Captain Bond met and later married Miss Mary Hammond of New York, 12 years ago. Mrs. Bond is now in New York on a visit. She will sail for Southampton in the Majestic Friday, Nov. 2.

FUNCHAL, Madeira, Nov. 1—The Island of Madeira was swept by gales today which tore up trees, destroyed crops and washed out roads.

Cabinet Urges Calm Attitude

WINNIPEG WHEAT PRICES PEGGED

Exchange Acts in Ac- cordance With Ottawa Demand

WINNIPEG, Man., Nov. 1—Effective today, wheat prices will be "pegged" at 5 cents a bushel for the December future and 80 cents a bushel for the May future, it was announced here last night by the Winnipeg Grain Exchange.

The pegging of the price, on a Fort William basis, was made by the grain exchange at the request of the federal government. John I. McFarland, general manager of the central selling agency of the Canadian Wheat Pools, declared the renewal of outside selling recently complained of had caused the pegging.

Text of the Winnipeg grain exchange statement follows:

"The government has requested that minimum prices be set on May and December wheat contracts of 80 cents and 5 cents respectively. Fort William basis, these to take effect November 1, and the government wheat agency to take hedges on grain purchases. The council of the exchange has acted in accordance with this request."

Duration of the pegged price was not set. The October future for this year terminated yesterday and only the December and May futures will appear on the board today, with the July future being added later.

THREE KILLED IN PLANE CRASHES

Toronto Flying Club's Instructor and Pupil Among Victims

TORONTO, Nov. 1—Three men, one of them a sergeant in the Royal Canadian Air Force, were killed yesterday in Ontario aeroplane crashes.

The dead:

Sergt. V. S. Roberts, of Ottawa, stationed at Camp Borden.

Flight Lieut. O'Brien-Saunt, Toronto Flying Club instructor.

S. W. Hand of Agincourt, Ontario, his pupil.

Flight Lieut. O'Brien-Saunt, and Hand were killed when their light plane, believed flown by Hand, crashed near the Dufferin Airport on the outskirts of Toronto.

Roberts died in the wreckage of a Siskin fighting plane as he was making a practice flight out of the Camp Borden station of the Royal Canadian Air Force.

OCTOBER BUILDING PERMITS LOWER

Moncton, Nov. 1—Building permits issued at City Hall for October totalled but \$3,075, according to figures given out today. For the same month last year, permits totalled \$3,296.50. This year's total far exceeds last year's total to date, as permits totalled but \$140,196.50 for the first eight months. This year's permits were increased by the new high school and the new public building being erected by the federal government.

CLEVELAND, Nov. 1—John A. Hartford, president of the A. and P. Company, told a correspondent of the Cleveland Press in New York today that he would recommend that his board of directors approve a seven-point settlement agreement designed to end the company's conflict with union labor here.

Premier Bennett Also Wants To Avoid Con- troversy Now In Stev- ens Resignation--Some of Party Would Expel Former Minister--The Glengarry Tories Revolt

Ottawa, Nov. 1—Premier R. B. Bennett made a short reply last night to Hon. H. H. Stevens' caustic communication of Tuesday last. The disposition of the cabinet is strongly adverse to entering the controversy at this stage. The matter will be ventilated in Parliament and the inclination is to wait. The difference is all between Mr. Stevens and the cabinet, not one between the late Minister and Premier Bennett.

Premier Bennett in a letter made public at Ottawa yesterday afternoon said that no useful purpose would be served by further correspondence—suggesting that the memory of Hon. H. H. Stevens with respect to events leading up to his resignation as minister of trade and commerce, was "at variance with the recollection of my colleagues and myself."

Mr. Bennett's letter was in reply to that sent him by Mr. Stevens yesterday in which the latter stated at some length his criticism of the prime minister and his colleagues, and dealt particularly with the communication sent him last Saturday accepting his resignation.

Using scarcely more than 100 words the prime minister indicated that Mr. Stevens had resigned his portfolio and chairmanship of the Royal commission on price spreads and mass buying rather than resume as was apparently proposed at last Thursday's cabinet council, "the amicable discussion of the points at issue."

The Cabinet ministers deny with much vigor that they sought to restrict the inquisitorial activities of their former colleague, who, they insist, had a "free hand." With the inquiry still far from finished, they point out that the Price Spreads Committee had cost \$150,000, with the possible aggregate double that figure.

In the meantime, Mr. Stevens is not to be silent. He will speak before the Retail Merchants' Association in Toronto on Monday and said today that he had "a long list of invitations which I have not had time to consider."

"I am swamped," he said, "with messages from business associations, mayors, public bodies, churches, and individuals."

The former Minister also found encouragement in the resolution of the Glengarry Conservative Association last night, expressing regret that he has resigned.

The motion as presented to the (Continued on page four)

PREMIER OF SASKATCHEWAN SEEKS MORE AID

Ottawa, Oct. 31—What additional assistance the federal government will give Saskatchewan in view of the exceptional misfortunes which that province has suffered, was the subject of conjecture here today.

Yesterday Premier J. G. Gardiner told to the Dominion cabinet the story Saskatchewan's tribulations. While no official statement was given out at the conclusion of the meeting, it was understood that the Saskatchewan premier had asked either for a guarantee or a direct Dominion loan of approximately \$9,000,000 to give the province a new start.

In the past four years Saskatchewan has received in assistance from the Dominion more than one-quarter of the entire federal disbursements to the provinces under the relief act.