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Storms Continue To Rage in Europe; Heavy Loss of Life

S. O. S. Calls From Seventeen Steamers Filled the Air This Morning—A Blue Star Liner Helpless in the English Channel With 310 Persons on Board.

(Special to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

LONDON, Dec. 7—Fierce storms which battered the British, French, Spanish and Portuguese coasts all week reached a new peak of violence today with heavy loss of life and vast damage to ships caught in the grip of terrific gales and rain.

Seventeen steamships filled the air with S. O. S. calls this morning one of them the Blue Star liner Andalucia Star which was helpless in the English Channel with 310 persons aboard. Four vessels were sinking or in such desperate circumstances that their crews took to life boats. Many small fishing boats off England, Spain and Portugal were missing or wrecked.

A Steamer Helpless

The Blue Star liner Andalucia Star wireless Lloyd's today that it had lost its rudder in the English Channel and was drifting helplessly. All steamers were asked to stand by.

CONTEST HENS ARE DOING VERY GOOD WORK

Two Charlotte County Pens Have Set a Good Pace — Experimental Station Pen in Third Position.

The fifth week of the 10th New Brunswick Egg Laying Contest, which is conducted at the Dominion Experimental Station, Fredericton, has just been concluded. The 200 birds laid 394 eggs during the week with 314.9 points. This brings the total eggs to date to 1511 with 1205.6 points. The production for the week, namely, 28.1 per cent is approximately 11 per cent. below the production for the same period in last year's contest.

The Barred Rocks, owned by W. J. White, Moores Mills, led in production for the week with 46 eggs and 41.0 points.

The Barred Rocks owned by George Wood, R. R. No. 1 Baywater, King Co., are in second position with 40 eggs and 32.0 points.

The Barred Rocks owned by the Experimental Station, Fredericton, are in third position for the week with 36 eggs and 30.1 points.

The Barred Rocks, owned by W. J. Scullin, Rollingdam, are in fourth position for the week with 37 eggs and 28.6 points.

The Barred Rocks owned by J. E. Monahan, Elmsville, are in fifth position for the week with 27 eggs and 24.5 points.

The Barred Rocks, owned by W. J. White, Moores Mills, and W. J. Scullin, are the leading pens to date with 193 eggs and 167.5 points and 170 and 128.6 respectively.

Farmers and Poultry breeders, who wish any information on the winter care and feeding of poultry should communicate with the Superintendent of the Experimental Station, Fredericton, N. B. This Station also offers for sale a limited number of Barred Rocks and Single Comb White Leghorn cockerels, reasonably priced for quick disposal.

MORE V. C. MEN RETURNING VIA ST. JOHN

(Special to The Daily Mail.)

Saint John, N. B., Dec. 6—Six more Canadian Victoria Cross holders are returning home from the Prince of Wales' Dinner in the House of Lords, London by Canadian Pacific steamer to this port. The S. S. Duchess of Richmond, which will dock at West Saint John late Sunday afternoon, Dec. 8, will bring to Canada the following V. C.'s: Captain J. MacGregor, V. C., Salmon Arm, B. C.; Captain R. Shankland, V. C., Winnipeg; Lt. C. S. Rutherford, V. C., Toronto; Corp. C. W. Train, V. C., Vancouver; Corp. J. Tombs, V. C., Montreal and Major F. M. W. Harvey, V. C., Calgary. The V. C.'s will be entertained by the N. B. Command, Canadian Branch, British Legion in Saint John before taking the C. P. R. boat special to Montreal and thence to their destination.

MOVEMENTS OF WEST INDIES STEAMSHIPS

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 7—The R. M. S. "Lady Rodney" of the Canadian National Steamships sailed last night at midnight for Bermuda, Nassau and Kingston, Jamaica, with passengers mail and cargo. R. M. S. "Lady Drake" Captain Giffin, from the West Indies via St. John arrived Thursday and will sail on Friday, December 13th for Bermuda, the West Indies and Demerara, the "Cavalier" of the Canadian National steamships arrived Thursday night from Jamaica with bananas and other general cargo.

Bridge Party

Mrs. Harry Walker entertained the Friday Night Bridge Club to a dinner bridge at her home in Smythe Street last evening. The prize winners were Mrs. J. T. Brewer and Mrs. R. P. Allen.

WILL SPEND THE HOLIDAYS IN EUROPE

C.N.R. is Running Special Trains to Handle the Heavy Traffic to Halifax.

(Special to the Daily Mail)

Montreal, Quebec, Dec. 6—To accommodate the large number of Canadians who are going to Europe for the Xmas holiday season no less than three special trains will leave over C. N. T. lines this coming week-end and extra equipment has been necessary on all trains moving from here to the Atlantic Seaboard. Last night the Ocean Limited carried extra cars to seat for 100 passengers who will sail on the Steamer "De-grasse" tonight 50 will cross the Atlantic on the steamer "Berlin" will occupy a special car. Two special trains will leave here Saturday to carry 450 passengers to the steamers "Pennland", "Estonia", "Gripsholm" and "Frederick VIII." the first will go in the morning as part of the Maritime Express and will be special from Mount Joli. The second will leave Bonaventure Station at 9 a. m. In addition and extra car on the Ocean Limited Saturday night will carry fifty passengers to the "Tuscania". A special train of 15 cars will leave at ten ten A. M., carrying 475 passengers for the "Tuscania" and on Sunday night four extra cars on the Ocean Limited will take 2000 to the "Cedric" Included in all trains are thru sleeping cars from Western Canada heavy Xmas mails are on their way every day to the seaboard.

BIG INCREASE IN FREIGHT SHIPMENTS

Moncton, N. B., December 7—As an indication of industrial conditions in the Maritime Provinces there is an increase of 16213 carloads or revenue freight handled up to the end of November this year over the corresponding period last year, according to information furnished by W. U. Appleton, general manager of the Atlantic Region of the Canadian National Railways — It is estimated that the total loadings for the year will amount to 268,000 cars which is an increase of approximately 63,000 cars as compared with 1925. The winter port season at Halifax has opened with a fairly large volume of export and import.

Esteemed Lady's Death

The death occurred last night at her home in Queen street of Miss Margaret Lawrence Sharkey. The news of her death came as a great shock to her many friends as she had been ill only a short time. Last week she was about the streets. The deceased was a daughter of the late Owen Sharkey and the late J. T. Sharkey, barrister, was her brother. One sister resides here and two in the United States. The deceased lady was widely known and highly respected.

Cathedral Services

The services at Christchurch Cathedral will be broadcast by Station CFNB at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. tomorrow.

H. D. Searle of Moncton is in the city today.

BRITISH ISLES ARE SWEEPED BY A HURRICANE

Gale Had a Velocity of Ninety Miles an Hour.

MANY SHIPS IN DISTRESS

Twenty to Thirty are Thought to Have Run Ashore.

(Special Cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

London, Dec. 7—A ninety mile an hour hurricane swept the British Isles the English Channel and surrounding waters today, driving many ships ashore and leaving several others in serious difficulty at sea.

From the English Channel came a stream of reports of vessels drifting out of control, there rudders torn away by the hurricane. Twenty to thirty vessels were believed ashore near the mouth of the Cuckmer River near Seaford.

CITY RUGBY TEAM GIVEN YEARLY BANQUET

The Fredericton City football team held their annual football banquet last evening at which were representatives from the High School, University of New Brunswick teams and a great many others, besides the team, who are interested in welfare of the City Rugby team.

E. C. Atkinson, M.L.A. was re-elected president of the football club for the 1930 season, while Dick Chestnut was elected to the captaincy. The formation of a Fredericton Athletic Club, which has been long in consideration, was again taken up last night and thoroughly discussed. The Club, if it materializes would control baseball, football, hockey and other sports. Ald. C. L. Dougherty was one of those who spoke in favor of such a club, and the president, Mr. Atkinson was also in favor of it. A cup given by the University of New Brunswick for competition between U.N.B. and the City was presented last night by Dick Petrie, captain of the Red and Black team this year.

The toasts at the banquet were numerous and the speeches were interesting and very enthusiastic for next year's team. Among those who spoke were C. B. Burden, coach of the University team; E. G. Cass, Bud Steen, captain of the team and coach, C. W. Clark, Willard Kitchen, Dick Petrie, Alderman C. L. Dougherty. The president, E. C. Atkinson, gave a statement for the year which showed the club to be in good financial standing with no deficit from the season's activities.

Other officers elected at the meeting last night were: vice-president, J. D. McKay, secretary-treasurer, Claude J. MacDonald; manager, Royden Colter; assistant manager, Fred Campbell; vice-captain, Jenkin Jenkins; members of the executive, William VanWart, C. W. Clark, C. L. Dougherty, Willard Kitchen, and William Vaughan.

DETACHMENT OF U. S. MARINES OFF FOR HAYTI

(Special to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

Hampton Roads, Va., Dec. 7—Contingent of United States Marines from the Quantico base arrived here early today and boarded the U. S. S. Wright. They expected to leave today for Hayti to aid in quelling disturbances threatening American lives and property there.

Air Mail Thefts Getting Common In Old Country

66 Have Occurred Within a Year — Mail Bag Containing \$18,175 Stolen Last Wednesday From the Great Western Railways London Express the Latest—The Police are Baffled.

(By HERBERT BAILEY, British United Press Staff Correspondent.)

LONDON, Dec. 7—Sixty-six mail thefts have occurred in a little over a year. The theft of a mail bag containing fifteen registered packages and valued at \$18,175 last Wednesday from the Great Western Railways London Express completes this total, and at the same time emphasizes the public's alarm at what appears to be the post office's inability to properly safeguard mails.

A Growing Menace

Parliament has already called attention to the growing menace, and last March a departmental committee was appointed to inquire into methods of preventing these robberies and where the leakage of information regarding valuable mails occurred.

Nothing has been reported yet, and the post office and regular police seem to be baffled as to how and when these robberies occur.

DR. C. C. JONES TELLS OF GROWTH OF THE OLD U.N.B.

Sussex, Dec. 6—The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Business Men's Luncheon Club was held here at noon today with Lieu-Col. A. J. Brooks, M. L. A., in the chair and a large attendance of members. The secretary, J. P. Atherton, reported that meetings would be held at least fortnightly that many outstanding speakers would be heard during the winter and it might be necessary in some cases to hold meetings weekly. Walter J. Mills, H. H. Reid, G. P. Bolton, A. E. Pearson, M. A. MacLeod and J. P. Atherton were appointed a committee to suggest a number of objectives for club activities. These selections will be announced at the next meeting and three will be selected at the first January meeting.

After luncheon, the chairman called on Dr. C. C. Jones, Chancellor of the University of New Brunswick, to address the club. Dr. Jones, took as his theme, "Higher Education in New Brunswick, Past and Present," and pointed to the expansion which had taken place in U. N. B., Fredericton; Mount Allison, Sackville, and St. Joseph's at College Bridge.

Rev. William Hannigan proposed and Judge W. B. Jonah seconded the vote of thanks to Chancellor Jones.

Assistant Chief Scout Commissioner Stiles, of Ottawa, will be the speaker at the next meeting of the club, on December 18.

S.S. RADYR MAY HAVE SUNK WITH ALL ON BOARD

(Special Cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

London, Dec. 7—The steamship Radyr of 2,357 tons was reported to have sunk with all hands today in the Bristol Channel.

The Radyr, previously had reported by wireless that it was sinking and that the crew was having difficulty in launching lifeboats. It gave its position as off Hartland Point, which is a lofty promontory at the south entrance of the Bristol Channel.

IS BOUND BY ANOTHER SEAL OF FRIENDSHIP

(Special Cable to THE DAILY MAIL by the British United Press.)

Vatican City, Dec. 7—The treaty between the Holy See and the House of Savoy was bound by another seal of friendship today when Crown Prince Humbert and the Princess Giovanna and Maria were received within the Vatican by Pope Pius XI. The visit of the three children of the reigning house of Italy followed closely the visit Thursday of King Victor Emanuel and Queen Elena which marked the first entry of sovereigns of United Italy within the Vatican City.

TWO HAD CLOSE CALL WHEN AN AUTO UPSET

Florenceville, Dec. 6—Bruce M. Berry and Bliss Berry escaped serious injury when their auto was overturned on the McCain hill and the Greenfield road, near here, during a blizzard, when vision was somewhat obscured. They were both removed to the Fisher Memorial Hospital at Woodstock. Bliss Berry, a third-year student at Acadia University, Wolfville, has recently been associated with his brother, B. M. Berry, in attending to his fox interests and it was on a business trip that he met with the accident. He sustained injuries in the face and head. B. M. Berry was only bruised and has been able to return to his home in Edmundston, while his brother continues a patient in the hospital.

A Big Contract

William J. Scott of this city has secured a contract from the C. P. R. and C. N. R. for six hundred thousand railway ties and has arranged to make delivery during the coming winter. This is one of the largest contracts of the kind that Mr. Scott has ever had, but he anticipates no difficulty in filling it. He is distributing the work throughout the province and in getting the ties sawed he will enlist the services of no less than forty different mills.