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World Shortage of Radium Is Now Being Investigated

London Labor Organ and the Imperial Government Are Now Giving the Matter Attention—Scarcity Said to Be Due to a Deliberate Restriction in Output—Supply Comes From Belgian Congo.

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

LONDON, Jan. 25—The reason for the world shortage of radium and the high price of \$60,000 for a gramme is the subject of an investigation being made by the Daily Herald and the government is also giving the matter its attention. While a committee of civil research that has been carrying on an investigation will shortly issue a report the Herald asserts that the scarcity of radium is due to a deliberate restriction in output. The newspaper declares that the Union Miniere Du Haut of Katanga, which operates from Katanga on the Belgian Congo and which is financed in part by British companies, produces 90 per cent of the world's total production, and that it could increase its production by fifty percent if it wished to do so.

COLD WEATHER CAUSE SLUMP IN EGG YIELD

Production of Hens in N. B. Laying Contest Last Week Was 34.7 Per Cent — Charlotte Pen Leads

During the week there was a marked decrease in the production of the birds entered in the New Brunswick Egg Laying Contest which is conducted at the Dominion Experimental Station, Fredericton, N. B. The birds are apparently in good health and this can only be attributed to the changeable weather conditions.

The 200 birds laid 486 eggs for the week which is a weekly production of 34.7 per cent. This brings the total eggs to date up to 5918 with 5326.1 points.

The Barred Rocks owned by A. T. Reed, Rollingdam, lead in production with a total of 449 eggs and 434 points.

The White Wyandottes owned by Mrs. R. H. Moxon, Lower Maugerville are in second position with 359 eggs and 347.7 points.

The Barred Rocks owned by Wm. A. Sansom, Durham Bridge, are in third position with 380 eggs and 338.7 points.

The Barred Rocks owned by Clarence R. Searle, Centre Napan, are in fourth position with 403 eggs and 334.3 points.

The Barred Rocks owned by N. W. Eveleigh, Sussex, lead in production for the week with 41 eggs and 37.9 points.

The Barred Rocks owned by Mrs. Edward Hart, Grand Bay, are in second position for the week with 35 eggs and 37.9 points.

The Barred Rocks owned by Clarence R. Searle, Centre Napan, are in third position for the week with 39 eggs and 34.4 points.

The Barred Rocks owned by John S. Knox, Sussex, are in fourth position for the week with 26 eggs and 34.4 points.

The leading hen is a Barred Rock owned by A. T. Reed, Rollingdam with a credit of 59 eggs and 63.1 points.

The second highest hen is a Barred Rock owned by Wm. A. Sansom, Durham Bridge, with a credit of 61 eggs and 61.3 points.

H. O. Davis of Moncton is in the city today.

COMMERCE BANK WILL RETURN TO OLD STAND

Will Be Back in Chestnut Block Next Week Insurance Adjusters Are Hard at Work

The work of clearing up the debris on the sidewalk in the burned district in Queen street is progressing satisfactorily under the direction of the City Engineer and will be about completed by this evening.

The insurance adjusters are hard at work appraising the losses but owing to the magnitude of the task it will be some days yet before they finish the work. It seems to be the general impression that three of four buildings will be declared a total loss. The walls and floors of the Colter Estate buildings, adjoining the F. B. Edgecombe Company store remains intact, but the upper portion of the structure was wrecked.

The Canadian Bank of Commerce now located temporarily in the Burchill building, has secured its old stand in the Chestnut Block in Queen street and plans to move into it some time next week. At present these premises are being used by a millinery establishment but will be vacated at once. The fixtures were taken out when the bank removed to its new building and were stored in the basement. Of course they were destroyed along with practically all of the contents of the building.

No attempt has yet been made to open the vaults and safes in the bank building.

Fredericton people living outside of the Province have learned of the fire through press despatches and The Daily Mail is being besieged for copies of its issue of Tuesday last.

Condition Serious

W. H. VanWart, is very seriously ill at his home in George street, and hopes for his recovery are slight. The aged gentleman was taken ill with the flu some time ago, and complications set in, making his condition decidedly worse.

Guest At Barker

Out of town guests at the Barker House today are: G. M. Anderson, Moncton; J. H. Kennedy, Montreal; G. Coult, Montreal; Mrs. C. H. Estabrooks, Woodstock, N. B.; Archie Pyne, Marysville.

THE EX KAISER TO CELEBRATE HIS BIRTHDAY

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

Doorn, Holland, Jan. 25—Doorn in the vicinity of the former Kaiser's residence assumed a festive air today as friends and relatives of Wilhelm gathered in great numbers to celebrate his 70th birthday.

Nearby hotels began to fill up with several and there was great activity around Doorn House, which was lavishly decorated inside and out. The former Kaiser who appears in excellent health, was preparing to observe his birthday in a style reminiscent of his vanished days of glory at Potsdam.

MORE WARSHIPS FOR ITALY

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

Paris, Jan. 25—Marshal Ferdinand Foch has improved from heart attacks and a kidney disorder to such an extent that his physicians announced today they would discontinue daily bulletins.

REMARKABLE GROWTH OF THE BUSINESS OF THE N. B. TELEPHONE CO. IN THIS DISTRICT

The Number of Subscribers Has Increased Eight Fold Since Early Part of the Century—Many Rural Exchanges Established—Long Service Has Reached a High State of Efficiency.

The directory of the New Brunswick Telephone Company, which was put in circulation a few days ago, furnishes evidence of a most remarkable growth in the business of the company in this section of the province since the beginning of the present century. People of middle age can easily recall the time when there were only three hundred telephone subscribers on the list for Fredericton and the surrounding district. Today according to the latest directory the number of subscribers on the Fredericton exchange is close to twenty-five hundred. In addition to this stations have been established at Stanley, Meductic, Southampton, Keswick and McAdam in York County, Minto in Sunbury, and the company has connection with the York and Carleton Telephone Company. The Stanley Exchange serves 144 subscribers, the Keswick Exchange 266, the Minto Exchange 104, the Southampton Exchange 208, and the Meductic Exchange 51. In addition there are the Gagetown and Doaktown Exchanges under the superintendence of Mr. Alex. J. Thompson, who has charge of the Fredericton district. Connection is made with the Grand and Macquapit and Grand Lake Rural Telephone Company.

A Superb Service

Improvements recently completed in the company's long distance line to the Quebec border by way of Edmundston, where it connects with the Bell Telephone Company of Canada, now enables telephonic communication to be carried on with all portions of the continent. A person can call up Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg or Vancouver, and obtain just as efficient a service as is possible with nearby points. During the Christmas

A DETHRONED QUEEN GIVES BIRTH TO A SON

Domestic Event in Family of Former Afghan-istan Ruler

**WAS BORN ON
WEDNESDAY**

**Love of the West Cost
Queen Sourya Her
Throne**

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

London, Jan. 25—Sourya, the attractive former Queen of Afghanistan whose love of the west and its ways cost her a throne has given birth to an eighth child, the Daily Express correspondent at Bombay reported today.

The child, a boy was born Wednesday at Kandahar, Afghanistan, where Sourya sought refuge with her husband, the abdicated ruler Amanullah when revolution overthrew his government.

Badminton Matches

The Cathedral Memorial Hall badminton club defeated the St. Anne's club last evening in the Hall gymnasium in an interesting game of the indoor tennis game. During the evening's play, seventeen matches were played. Refreshment were served at conclusion of play.

International Air Laureate Awarded to Noted Italian Airman

Capt. Ferrarin, Who Made a Non-stop Flight Across the South Atlantic Performed the Greatest Feat of the Year—Lady Bailey of England Gets Woman's Trophy.

(Special to The Daily Mail by the British United Press.)

PARIS, Jan. 25—Captain Arturo Ferrarin, of Italy was awarded the International Air Laureate for the greatest accomplishment in aviation in 1928 by the international league of aviators it was announced today.

Lady Bailey, wife of Sir Abe Bailey of England, was awarded the woman's international trophy.

Captain Ferrarin with Major Carlo Delprete made a non-stop distance record of 3,911 miles from Rome to Brazil, where they landed July 5, 1928. A month earlier they had set a duration record for sustained flying which since has been taken from them.

Lady Bailey recently returned to England from a round trip solo flight to South Africa in a light plane.

STEAMERS ARE ICE BOUND IN THE STRAITS

Halifax, Jan. 24—Vainly attempting to buck the heavy fields of ice in order to answer the appeals of help from the ice-bound steamer Terne, the Government ice-breaker Stanley has been driven back by ice and tide, the Marine and Fisheries Agent here was advised by wireless from Captain I. C. Rhude, master of the Stanley.

Yesterday afternoon the Stanley had forced her way through the Straits of Canso and had reached Cape Jack in George's Bay. With the turn of the tide and a strong northerly wind, the ice-breaker was driven back through the straits and spent last night at Habtan's Bay, on the Atlantic side. This morning Captain Rhude reported that so long as the wind held, from the north, it would be impossible to get past Mulgrave.

Fails Again

The Stanley was originally bound for Cape Tormentine, N. B., to relieve the Car Ferry Prince Edward Island, plying between Prince Edward Island and the mainland, which was damaged by ice and which is to come to Halifax for repairs. So long as ice conditions remain as at present, the Stanley can neither proceed to the assistance of the Terne, off Margaree, nor to the relief of the car ferry, Captain Rhude reports.

Visited Schools

Dr. F. T. Sexton, of Halifax, director of vocational education for Nova Scotia and principal of the Nova Scotia Technical College yesterday made an inspection of the educational institutions of this city, paying particular attention to vocational training. In company with W. K. Tibert, vocational director for New Brunswick, Dr. Sexton visited the Fredericton High School and upon completing his inspection of the facilities for industrial training expressed himself as favorably impressed with the composite schools of this province of which the city school is typical. Dr. Sexton also paid a visit to the U. N. B.

Partly Qualified

The following members of the 7th Machine Gun Battalion have partly qualified in theoretical work: Sergt. D. Blair, Sergt. H. Currie, Privates V. Currie and T. McLean.

INJUNCTION PROCEEDINGS POSTPONED

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

London, Jan. 25—A hearing on an injunction obtained by General W. Bramwell Booth to restrain the Salvation Army high council from electing his successor was adjourned today until Tuesday.

AUTO RACER MET DEATH IN ARGENTINE

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

Buenos Aires, Jan. 25—Argentine's grand national automobile race which began at six a. m. today had its first tragedy when Paris Giannini was killed at Bartolome Mitre about 110 miles from here.

PASSENGERS RESCUED FROM SNOW DRIFTS

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

Budapest, Hungary, Jan. 25—Forty passengers, buried under the snow when a Roumanian passenger train was caught in the path of an avalanche, have been rescued it was reported today. The accident occurred on the line between Turnugurele and Lita.

SUPPORTERS OF TROTSKY ARRESTED

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

London, Jan. 25—An exchange telegraph dispatch from Helsinki, Finland, said today reports from Moscow were that 250 supporters of Leon Trotsky, former Soviet leader had been arrested.

It is thought that a slow-motion taking the languid one of the "Two Black Crows."