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FEARFUL HAVOC FROM HUGE EXPLOSION

ARCHDEACON RIX DEALS WITH PRESENT POLITICAL SITUATION IN SERMON

Largest American Ammunition Depot Was Struck by Lightning Damage Estimated $100,000,000

Ten people killed and 33 missing as result of terrible explosions at Lake Denmark in New Jersey late Saturday

DOVER, New Jersey, July 12.—Fire and barrages of exploding shells today continued to prevent the ascertaining of the complete toll of death and havoc caused by fire and explosions in the navy's largest ammunition depot located at Lake Denmark, 35 miles west of Jersey City, which was struck by lightning late Saturday. Te npersons are reported dead, 35 are missing and the damage is estimated at $100,000,000.

For a radius of 30 miles houses were shaken and automobiles were overturned on the highways.

Lake Denmark was the navy's largest ammunition storage establishment. It covered more than five hundred acres and contained 500 buildings of which 200 were destroyed.

Early Report

NEW YORK, July 12.—Between sixty and seventy officers and men stationed at the navy ammunition depot at Lake Denmark, New Jersey, are believed to have been killed in explosion which started when lightning struck the magazine Saturday evening. Other large magazines exploded in the fire which followed.

Seventy men in the depot who were called out to fight the fire resulting from the first explosions were caught by the other explosions.

Thirty houses in Mount Hope, two miles away, are reported to have been destroyed.

Terrible Inferno

According to the story of a marine who escaped from the inferno after the first crash, the fire siren sounded and all enlisted men on duty rushed toward the magazine when there was a flash and roar which sent the flames four hundred feet skyward and the concussion crushed the brick and stone houses like egg shells. It was followed by showers of 14 and 16 inch shells which fortunately were stacked causing them to shoot straight in the air, otherwise the surrounding towns would have been cut to pieces by direct shell fire.

This afternoon the fire and barrage of exploding shells ceased and it is expected the toll of death and havoc will be known tonight.

Captain Haynes, senior officer at Lake Denmark depot, advised the Naval Department at Washington this afternoon that the number of dead is 16. Dover, which is 2 miles from the depot, suffered tremendous damage as a result of the explosion and bursting shells, practically none of the homes in town escaping destruction.

GIANTS UPSET BASEBALL DOPE

New York Team Closing Up on Cincinnati in National Pennant Race.

NEW YORK, July 12—Although Cincinnati seemed to have the pennant race sewed up a few days ago, the New York Giants have upset the dope and by virtue of four consecutive victories over the Reds, it is anybody's race. The leaders now have but four and a half games advantage over New York, who hold second place.

The game between Washington and St. Louis Sunday was featured by a triple steal, Manager Sisler of the Browns scoring.

SUNDAY GAMES.

National League

New York 5, Cincinnati 0.
Boston 2-19, St. Louis 7-7.
Brooklyn 2, Chicago 1.

American League

Cleveland 8, New York 3.
St. Louis 3, Washington 8.

NEW INSTRUCTOR FOR LOCAL NAVAL RESERVE

George Dawes Arrives to Take Place of Officer Kinch, Who is Transferred to Winnipeg.

Chief Petty Officer Geo. Dawes, of Winnipeg, who will become instructor of the local Royal Canadian Naval Reserve succeeding Chief Petty Officer G. H. Kinch, who is being transferred to Winnipeg, arrived in the city on the Prince Charles this morning from Esquimalt, where he has been taking a course. Chief Petty Officer Dawes was accompanied by Mrs. Dawes and family.

CHARGE OF MURDER AGAINST BANDIT OF BANK AT WINNIPEG

WINNIPEG, July 12.—A formal charge of murder against Wilfrid Bonin, alias Davis, the alleged slayer of Maurice Garvie, clerk at the Royal Bank during the holdup on May 28, was laid this morning. He has been in the hospital recovering from wounds received during a running fight with the police.

BIRTH.

A daughter was born at the Prince Rupert General Hospital on July 10 to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Frew, Summit Apartments.

MAKING TRIP AROUND WORLD

Managing Director of Large Japanese Fishing Concern Visiting City With Members of His Staff.

In the course of a world tour, Reisuke Danno, of Tokyo, Japan, managing director of the Russo-Japanese Fishing Co., Ltd., and a director of a number of other important Japanese fishing companies, is a visitor in Prince Rupert, accompanied by S. Shimizu and K. Nakamura, members of his staff. Mr. Danno is visiting Prince Rupert for the purpose of studying methods in connection with the fishing and canning industry and while here will probably visit some of the Skeena River canning plants.

Mr. Danno, whose first visit it is to this country, came to the continent as Japanese delegate to the International Rotary convention at Denver. He is a member of the Tokyo Rotary Club.

Mr. Danno has already visited California and arrived here on the Princess Charlotte Saturday afternoon from Skagway and Ketchikan, having spent four days in the latter city. He and his party will proceed south today and, after visiting Astoria, Oregon, will proceed to New York. They will then proceed to Europe and thence to Japan, their trip taking them around the world before it is completed.

PLEADED GUILTY TO SAVE BROTHER FROM THE NOOSE

CHICAGO, July 12.—Robert Scott today pleaded guilty to murdering Joseph Maure, clerk, for whose slaying his brother, Russell Scott, had been sentenced to hang on October 15.

AUSTRALIANS LEAD IN CRICKET MATCH

LEEDS, July 12.—The scores at the conclusion of play today in the cricket game between England and Australia was 494 for the visitors and 203 for England with eight wickets down. The game concludes tomorrow.

WEATHER REPORT

Terrace: Clear, calm, temp. 65.
Anyox: Clear, calm, temp. 72.
Stewart: Clear, calm, temp. 57.
Hazelton :clear, calm, temp 65.
Telegraph Creek: Clear, calm, temperature 60.
Smithers:. Clear, calm, temp 60.
Burns Lake: Clear, calm, temperature, 59.

The fire department responded to another call from Fifth Ave. East at 12.30 noon today. Hot ashes set fire to dry grass near the residence of A. R. Nichols, no damage being done.

POPE APPOINTS A NEW ARCHBISHOP

ROME, July 12.—The Pope today appointed Bishop Rouleau of Valleyfield, Quebec, as Arbishop of the province to succeed the late Archbishop Roy.

GIVEN ONE YEAR

Stephen Gawthorn appeared before Judge Young this morning. He elected speedy trial and pleaded guilty to a charge of breaking and entering the store of McRae Bros., Ltd. A sentence of one year at Okalla was imposed.

TRIPLE MURDER NEAR CHICAGO

Cicero Scene of Crimes Early Today and One Man Has Confessed Guilt

REFUSED GIVE UP CAR

Chaffeur, Man and Woman Victims of Car Thieves Were Shot and Killed

CHICAGO, July 12. — Cicero, the turbulent westside suburb, was the scene of a triple slaying early today when a number of bandits shot a chaffeur who refused to hand over his car. Later a young man and woman seated in an automobile in front of the latter's home suffered the same fate when they refused to give up the man's car.

The scene of the slaying was near the spot where William McSwiggan, assistant states attorney, and two companions were killed by machine gun fire last April.

The police later arrested one man who confessed to the murders implicating others. The authorities are convinced that the shootings were prompted by the desire to secure the automobiles to be used in further marauding expeditions.

AGREEMENT ON WAR DEBT

Terms of Refunding Pact France and England Published Tomorrow.

LONDON, July 12. — Finance Minister Caillaux and Chancellor Churchill, France and England, respectively, today reached a complete agreement on terms for the refunding of the French war debt. The terms of the agreement will be published tomorrow.

ORANGEMEN AND LADIES ATTEND CHURCH SERVICE

Members of the Loyal Orange Lodge and the Loyal Orange Benevolent Association to the number of about forty-five paraded last evening to service at the First Baptist Church where Rev. E. G. Turner spoke appropriately, his subject being "The Mark of a Conqueror." A. Clapperton rendered a solo. The marshal of the parade, which was assembled and dismissed at the Metropole dall, was Alex. McRae.

The charge against Murdoch, the magician, of driving a motor-vehicle to the common danger, was dismissed in the city police court this morning. Magistrate McClymont found that Murdoch's performance on Friday night leading up to the charge had been to a degree sanctioned by the police and there was a police officer actually in the car for the protection of the public. In view of the fact that it had been duly advertised as a publicity stunt and there was evidence to show that similar performances had been given in crowded cities and had been previously permitted here, His Worship felt that he would not be justified in registering a conviction in this particular case. Mayor Newton says he did not lay the complaint.

RACING CARS IN CRASH AT LOS ANGELES

Two Killed and More Than Score Injured Accident Happened in Front of Grandstand

LOS ANGELES, July 12. — Two persons were killed and more than a score injured, one probably fatally, when three racing automobiles crashed on Ascot speedway Saturday night. J. D. Cornwall, police sergeant and Nick Gugliemi, race driver, were instantly killed. Jack Petticord, dirt track racer is expected to recover.

Two cars tangled in front of the grandstand and a third one crashed into them and the three careened into the pits, filled with mechanics and official drivers.

LIKELY ELECTION ON SEPTEMBER 14

OTTAWA, July 12.—At the conclusion of the cabinet meeting today Premier Meighen announced that no statement would be made. The general opinion still holds that the election date will be set for September 14 or 15 and preparations for the campaign are being made by both parties.

MOSTLY CANADIAN HALIBUT BOATS IN SALE HERE TODAY

Most of the boats selling halibut catches here today were Canadians, prices for them ranging from 15.40 to 15.90 for first class and 8 to 10 for seconds. American boats brought 17.40 and 10. Arrivals were:

American

J. P. Todd 11,000 to Booth Fisheries.

National, 18,000 to Cold Storage.

Canadian

Kaien, 5,500 to Booth Fisheries.

Alken, 12,00 to Atlin Fisheries.

Cape Spear 8,000 to Pacific Fisheries.

Agnes B. 4,500 to Atlin Fisheries.

Ruth 2,500 to Atlin Fisheries.

Mayflower 5,500 to Cold Storage.

Sea Maid, 12,500 to Royal Fish Co.

FRENCH MINISTER VISITING IN LONDON

Caillaux Arranging With Churchill For Funding of French War Debt.

LONDON, July 12. — French Finance Minister Caillaux arrived in London this afternoon to confer with the chancellor of the exchequer, Winston Churchill, regarding the funding of the French war debt.

FRANC STILL LOWER.

PARIS, July 12. — The franc today sank to 40 to the dollar. After the bourse closed several transactions were recorded at that level.

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Archdeacon Rix Speaks Against Any Attempt to Loosen Imperial Ties

Says nothing but good has Canada ever received from Britain and best interest of world served by continuance as at present

During the course of his sermon yesterday morning Archdeacon Rix said:

Many years ago when the question of annexation and Canadian independence were in politics, the greatest leader the Conservative party has ever had, Sir John Macdonald, said on the floor of the House: "A British subject I was born, a British subject I will die," and this became the slogan of his party throughout the whole Dominion.

At the same time the greatest leader that the Liberal party in Canada ever had, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, said in the same connection: "Entreat me not to leave thee or to cease from following thee—Thy people shall be my people, thy God my God. Where thou diest will I die and there will I be buried. The Lord do so to me and more also if ought but death part thee and me." This became the slogan of the Liberal party.

Led by these two great men, the idea of annexation to the United States or separation from the British Empire were killed for half a century.

But again the latter of these obnoxious ideas is showing above the horizon and certain influences are doing all that can be done to give it prominence in the hope that the coming elections may be fought out with independence from Great Britain as the chief issue. For after all the constitutional question "does not necessarily involve this, yet it lurks beneath."

One cannot believe that the best material in any of our political parties would lend itself willingly to champion such an issue, but it is possible for it to be dragged in by the political opportunist and it behooves every Canadian who wishes our Dominion well to do all in his power to keep this issue out along with all the bitterness it is sure to bring with it; or if it does get into our political field to fight it with every ounce of his ability.

Strengthen Home Ties

We are very largely of the same blood as those of the British Isles. Through immigration we are having more of that blood poured into our country. We are one people with the people of the home land and it is natural and expedient that we continue and strengthen the home ties.

Nothing but good have we ever received from Britain. Mistakes she may have made, but they were not mistakes of the heart. She financed us in our early days of need. She protected us and still protects. Of her we have nothing to be ashamed. The standard of her national honor compels the respect of the world and as a part of the Empire we have some of the reflected glory. She demands nothing of us. Two visible ties only are there—a governor general who is only sent if the choice is agreeable to the Dominion and a Privy Council, which asks for no cases to be brought before it, but which accepts the thankless duty of deciding cases which our courts here have failed to decide to the satisfaction of the litigants.

High Ideals

The world's best interests will be served by the unity of the British Empire, spreading, as it does over the surface of the earth, large constituencies of British people possessing her high ideals of national life. And certainly Canada's best interests will be served by her continuance in that fellowship of nations which goes to make up the British Empire.

It is to be hoped that this question will not become an issue in the approaching campaign. It is not part of the mind of the best elements of either of the two great parties, yet, in certain papers and in certain places we already hear murmurs which if allowed to go unchecked, will inevitably inject it into the limelight of the political arena which will be all to the bad.

TO NOMINATE ON JULY 24

Liberals Calling Convention to Choose Candidate for Forthcoming Federal Contest.

July 24 is the date set for the convention of the Skeena District Liberal Association when a candidate will be named to contest Skeena riding in the forthcoming federal election campaign. In the meantime a meeting of the Prince Rupert Liberal Association will be held for the purpose of appointing delegates and probably instructing them.

It is considered likely that Fred Stork will again be offered the Liberal nomination. No other name is being mentioned here.

THOMAS ALEXANDER DIES IN VICTORIA

Was Third English-Speaking Person Born In City 67 Years Ago

VICTORIA, July 12.—Thomas Alexander, 67 years of age, colored, said to be the third English speaking child born in Victoria, died yesterday. He was a member of the Pioneer Association of B.C.

The parents of Alexander were members of a party of colored people brought here from California by Sir James Douglas.

AMERICAN STATESMAN DIED THIS MORNING

LANCASTER, New Hampshire, July 12.—John W. Weeks, war secretary under the Harding administration and also under President Coolidge, died this morning after a long illness.