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## ANOTHER HOLOCAUST IN MONTREAL

### CROP ON PRAIRIES LOOKS GOODS AS HARVEST STARTS

#### Five Killed and Five Injured in Explosion of Tenement Building

DEATHS CAUSED BY FLAMES, SMOKE AND FLYING DEBRIS FROM TERRIFIC BLAST IN EMPTY STRUCTURE

MONTREAL, August 15.—Five are dead and five injured as a result of a fire which destroyed three tenements on Seineurs Street this morning. The dead are: Four of a MacDonald family—Gordon, aged 13; Clayton, 18; Emma, 50; and James, 70. Vincenzo Colletto, an Italian.

The injured include Mary and Janet MacDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Matcello and Archie MacDonald.

The deaths were caused by flames, smoke and flying debris from a terrific explosion which blasted its way through a well from a supposedly unoccupied building into the tenement.

Windows were shattered in buildings nearby and the blast, which aroused the entire district, was heard a mile away.

Smoke, beching into the second storey flat, asphyxiated four of MacDonald family.

Vincenzo Collette, aged 36, lost his life while searching for his wife and four children who had escaped earlier.

Neighbors saved the lives of three MacDonalds.

#### TOURIST DIES AT KITWANGA

Edward Albert Close of Minnesota, Passenger on Train, Succumbs While Strolling Through Village

While strolling through the native village of Kitwanga, Edward Albert Close of Hopkins, Minnesota, an inbound passenger on Saturday afternoon's passenger train, dropped to the road and succumbed to heart failure at about 10:45 on the morning of that day. The body was replaced on the train and brought to the city and placed in the hands of the B.C. Undertakers who prepared it for burial and shipped it aboard the steamer Prince George for delivery to Vancouver and thence to Minnesota where interment will take place. An inquest held by James R. Tannock, deputy coroner, established that death was due to natural causes.

Deceased was 68 years of age and was retired from business. A daughter, Mrs. Catherine Morgan Silk, who was accompanying him on his western trip, went on with her remains.

#### VESSEL ASHORE ON THIS COAST

Ketchikan Hears That Sungenetoo of TransMarine Line is on Rocks

KETCHIKAN, Aug. 15.—A radio message intercepted here said that the steamer Sungenetoo of the TransMarine Line was "on the rocks." Interference prevented reception of the vessel's location which is believed to be in British Columbia waters.

The Sungenetoo left Grays Harbor, Washington, for the Atlantic coast last Monday.

H. D. Tee, chief operator at the Digby Island station here, stated this morning that his station had not heard of the Sungenetoo's plight.

#### TENNIS CHAMPS ON CLAY COURTS

Vancouver Won Majority of Events in British Columbia Meeting on Saturday

VANCOUVER, Aug. 15.—British Columbia clay court tennis championships decided on Saturday were as follows: Men's Singles—Gordon Shields, Vancouver. Ladies' Singles—Mrs. A. B. Grigor, Vancouver. Men's Doubles—Gordon Shields and Oate Ryall, Vancouver. Mixed Doubles—Miss V. O'Shea and Bev Rhodes, Vancouver. Men's Junior—Henry Cully, Santa Barbara. Ladies' Junior—Miss McNab.

**BIRTH.**  
Born at the Prince Rupert General Hospital, August 14, to Mr. and Mrs. S. V. Reith, a son.

#### JAMES OLIVER CURWOOD DEAD

Famous American Author Passes Away at his Home at Owosso, Michigan, Aged 49

WRITER OF NORTH  
Was Employed by Canadian Government as Exploratory and Descriptive Writer—Died of Infection

OWOSSO, Michigan, Aug. 15.—James Oliver Curwood, famous author and conversationalist, died at his home here Saturday night after an illness resulting from infection. In a vain effort to stop the ravages of the infection, two physicians were rushed out by a plane from the Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit. A daughter of deceased, Mrs. Antonio Jirus of Detroit, gave blood for transfusion purposes.

The late Mr. Curwood, still a comparatively young man, was born here in 1878. A descendant on his father's side of Capt. Marrayat, the novelist, he came naturally by the literary talent which was to make him internationally famed. He was a graduate of the University of Michigan, where he was one of the literary leaders of his class. He was in newspaper work for seven years and was successively assistant editor and editor of the Detroit News-Tribune, resigning from the paper in 1907 to take up literary work exclusively.

As a novelist, the late Mr. Curwood was one of the foremost authorities on matters pertaining to the Canadian Northland and each year it was his custom to spend several months in the wilds. He travelled as far north as the Arctic coast and was the only American ever employed by the Canadian government as an exploratory and descriptive writer. He had one of the largest collections of big game photographs (taken by himself) in America.

Notable among his novels were "The Courage of Captain Plum," "The Wolf Hunters," "The Great Lakes," "The Gold Hunters," "The Danger Trail," "The Honor of the Big Shows," "Phillip Steel of the Royal Mounted," "The Valley of Silent Men," "Flower of the North," "Isobel," "Kazan," "God's Country and the Woman," "The Hunted Woman," "The Grizzly King," "Baree, Son of Kazan," "The Courage of Marze O'Doone," "Nomads of the North," "The River's End," "The Country Beyond," "The Flaming Forest," "The Alaskan," etc.

#### STOP FISHING SOUTH ALASKA

Cessation for One Month is Ordered by Commission of Fisheries

KETCHIKAN, Aug. 15.—Henry W. O'Malley, United States commissioner of fisheries, on Saturday ordered the cessation of commercial salmon fishing in the southern district of southeastern Alaska until September 14. Continuation of fishing, Mr. O'Malley said, would endanger the future of the industry. The pack so far this year has been only twenty per cent of normal owing to the scarcity of fish.

The area on the west coast of Prince of Wales Island is not included in the order.

#### EARTH TREMOR IN TURKESTAN

Fifteen Killed and 25 Injured in Serious Earthquake Yesterday

MOSCOW, Aug. 15.—Fifteen were killed and 25 seriously injured when an earthquake rocked sections of Turkestan. About one hundred houses were ruined at Namangan where two shocks were felt and where the tremors reached their maximum intensity. Considerable damage was done in other neighboring villages.

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REGENT STREET BUILDING COLLAPSES: Firemen searching debris of house and shop in Beak Street, off Regent Street, in the heart of London's West End.

#### Peace is Need of World and Particularly British States Premier Baldwin in Winnipeg

WINNIPEG, August 15.—Rt. Hon. Stanley Baldwin, Premier of Great Britain, addressing a huge gathering from a window of the parliament buildings here on Saturday night during a five-hour stop in Winnipeg before continuing East, said: "People who tell you that in England we are going to have revolution or that our people are bad-tempered are telling you lies. What we feel at home and what I think must be more difficult for you to realize than it is for us is that on us mainly and on the people speaking the English tongue and people of British stock rests the greatest hope that the world has of peace and continued peace. Peace is a vital necessity for the world and for no part of the world is it more vital than for the British Empire. All we want to do is to develop ourselves and our countries in peace. That will be our greatest contribution to the world."

#### SANKEY CASE LIKELY TO BE HEARD IN CITY

Even Should Change of Venue be Allowed, Prince Rupert Would Probably be Scene of Hearing

Though permission has been given J. Edward Bird, Vancouver barrister, to appeal the decision of Mr. Justice Morrison that the new trial of Joseph Sankey, who was convicted here last year of the murder of Miss Loretta Chisholm at Port Essington, should be held in Prince Rupert, it is considered probable that, even should a change of venue be allowed, the case would be heard in Prince Rupert.

A Vancouver jury might be empanelled but the trial held in Prince Rupert owing to the fact that it would be less costly to bring the jury north than it would be to take the many witnesses in the case to Vancouver or any other point in the south.

An automobile from Washington State arrived on Saturday afternoon's train from the interior and was shipped south on the steamer Prince George. The owner had motored as far as Hazelton, shipping his car from that point into the city.

#### Moisture Needed on Prairies But General Indications Are Yield Will Be Good All Over

WINNIPEG, August 15.—The sound of the thresher has already been heard on the prairies. According to the Canadian National Railways weekly crop report, the seventeenth season, rye cutting is general and in some places, notably in the interlake area of Manitoba, it has been completed. Thirty bushels to the acre is the report of the Winnipeg district and the rye crop is on the whole regarded as very good. Barley cutting is also under way, and the bountiful hay crop is practically all gathered in.

Isolated points in Southern Manitoba and Saskatchewan and in Northern Alberta send in news of early wheat cutting. Some districts expect to have their harvest under way next week. Others say they will not be ready for two to three weeks.

The optimism of the West for this year's crop is standing up well and the farmers, except in a few low-lying areas, are confident of a yield as good as and indeed much better than in previous years. Frost has stepped in but has not caused consternation. Porter, Dodsland, As with and Elrose, Saskatchewan, have felt it worse than other points. Rust is troubling some farmers in Manitoba and weeds are the concern of a few in Alberta, but they are isolated instances. The majority of acreages are healthy and standing up well, ripening rapidly and hardening. Central Manitoba's chief want at present is more moisture, but in spite of lack of rain, progress has been satisfactory.

Alberta reports her pastures to be in splendid condition.

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PIGEON TRAVELLED FOR OVER MONTH  
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KETCHIKAN, Aug. 15.—An exhausted pigeon, thought to have been released a month ago by Ernest Smith, while on his Hawaiian flight, was picked up at the fishtrap near here. "False alarm, don't send a boat," read the pencilled note.  
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#### BIG SALE OF HALIBUT HERE

Total of 316,000 Pounds Offered by Twelve Boats at Exchange Today

One of the largest fish auctions of the season took place at the Fish Exchange this morning when a total of 316,000 pounds of halibut was offered by incoming vessels. Ten American boats, including several of the larger schooners, had 300,500 pounds and received bids ranging from 10.7c and 5c to 12c and 6c. There were only two Canadian boats which had a total of 15,500 pounds and which were offered 10c and 6c. Arrivals were as follows:

- AMERICAN**  
Sitka, 42,000 pounds, and Panama, 47,000 pounds, to Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., 11.1c and 5c.  
Venus, 34,000 pounds, to Booth Fisheries at 11.1c and 5c.  
Vanssee, 48,000 pounds, to Pacific Fisheries at 10.9c and 5c.  
Arctic, 30,000 pounds, to Royal Fish Co. at 11c and 5c.  
Commonwealth, 42,000 pounds, to Booth Fisheries at 10.7c and 5c.  
Cedric, 22,000 pounds, Hazel H., 10,000 pounds, and Teddy J., 14,500 pounds, to Atlin Fisheries at 12c and 6c.  
**CANADIAN**  
Pair of Jacks, 13,000 pounds, to Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co. at 10c and 6c.  
Joe Baker, 2,300 pounds, Atlin Fisheries at 10c and 6c.

**WEATHER REPORT**  
Terrace.—Clear, calm, temp. 61.  
Rosswood.—Clear, calm, temp. 62.  
Allyanah.—Clear, calm, temp. 55.  
Alice Arm.—Clear, calm, temp. 60.  
Anyox.—Clear, calm, temp. 64.  
Stewart.—Clear, calm, temp. 60.  
Hazelton.—Clear, calm, temp. 60.  
Telegraph Creek.—Clear, calm, temp. 60.  
Smithers.—Clear, calm, temp. 73.  
Burns Lake.—Clear, calm, temp. 56.

#### EXPLOSION OF STOVE FATAL

Wife of Anti-Saloon League Head Dies Near Grand Rapids, Michigan

SHOCK KILLS FATHER

GRANDRAPIDS, Mich., Aug. 15.—Mrs. Wayne B. Wheeler, wife of the head of the Anti-Saloon League, died early Sunday morning from burns sustained as a result of the explosion of an oil stove in her summer home at Little Point Sable. Her father, Robert Candy, aged 82, dropped dead from the shock of seeing his daughter in flames. Her mother, Mrs. Candy, aged 81, is suffering from shock.

Mr. Wheeler put out the flames with a blanket but Mrs. Wheeler had, in the meantime, inhaled some of the fumes.

#### NEW SPRINT RECORD SET

Tommy Flanagan Does 440 Yards in 49 4-5 Seconds—V.A.A.C. Wins Club Aggregate

VANCOUVER, Aug. 15.—Tommy Flanagan of the Vancouver Amateur Athletic Club broke a provincial record by winning the 440 yards sprint in the Caledonia Games here on Saturday in 49 4-5 seconds. The Vancouver Athletic Club won in the club aggregate.

Robert Gill of the Vancouver Police Force, by his weight-throwing prowess, won the individual aggregate with sixteen points.

The British Columbia quoit throwing championship was won by J. Murdoch of Vancouver whose record was 158 feet, 7 inches.

#### DEATH CAUSED BY FOUL PLAY?

This is Suspected After Finding of Body of Vancouver Man Near White Rock

NEW WESTMINSTER, Aug. 15.—Foul play it is suspected caused the death of Theros Pavlos of Vancouver, missing since August 3, whose rope-bound body was washed up near White Rock yesterday. A cousin of the dead man said he had \$200 on his person when he disappeared but only a few cents were in the pockets when the body was found.

#### BIG FINANCIER OF STATES DEAD

Elbert H. Gary, Chairman of United States Steel Corporation, Passes

NEW YORK, Aug. 15.—Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the United States Steel Corporation, died this morning at 4 o'clock. He was one of the continent's most prominent financial men and his death even had an effect on the Stock Exchange where there was a temporary flurry of selling, followed soon after by a reaction.

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