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FLOODS IN EAST WORST IN MEMORY

DEATH SENTENCE FOR STRANGLER OF MRS PATTERSON

Strangler of Mrs. Patterson at Winnipeg to Hang is Sentence of Court Following Jury Verdict

WINNIPEG, November 5.—Earle Nelson, the strangler, was this afternoon found guilty of the murder of Mrs. Emily Patterson and sentenced to hang on Friday, January 13.

The case against the prisoner was completed last evening and this morning the jury was charged by Mr. Justice Dysart, the presiding judge.

The final chapters in what is described as one of the most revolting cases in criminal history, replete with dramatic moments, were recounted yesterday by prisoner's wife and aunt who between them pieced together the strange life story of Nelson.

WILL ESCORT SANKEY NORTH

Sergeant Alex. McNeill, Chief of Provincial Police, will bring the accused murderer here on November 16.

Sergeant Alex. McNeill, chief of the district detachment of the provincial police, and Mrs. McNeill will sail tomorrow night by the Prince Rupert for the south having in their custody Heister Dick Hazelton Indian woman who is sentenced to four months in Okalla prison for vagrancy. George Russell, who will serve a similar term for keeping liquor for sale; Fred Ward, who has been sent down for three months for supplying liquor to Indians, and Ah To, who has drawn six months for having opium in his possession.

Returning to the city on November 16, Sergeant McNeill will have in his custody Joe Sankey, Part Simpson Indian, who has been granted a new trial on the charge of murdering Miss Loretta Chisholm at Port Essington last year, and Peter Whitewash, who is charged with the attempted murder of Provincial Constable Williams at Bella Coola. Both will go on trial at the session of the Supreme Court Assizes opening in the city on November 23.

WARDEN'S FEES PRINCE RUPERT

Vancouver and Ottawa Anxious to Have Prince Rupert and Vancouver the Same

At the meeting of the board of trade last night two letters were received, one from P. H. Clendenning of the Empire Shipping Co. at Vancouver, and the other from the acting deputy minister of marine at Ottawa enclosing the scale of charges to be made by the Port Warden and suggesting that the same scale be made operative here. This scale is slightly higher than the one in use here at present so the letters were referred to the port committee for further report.

B.C. PACKERS VERSUS C.P.R.

Complaint Again Amended in Which Claim on Princess Reduced to \$50,000

KETCHICAN, Nov. 5.—With an amended complaint of the Alaska Packers' Association asking \$50,000 instead of \$200,000 under the original label against the C.P.R. steamship Princess Charlotte, the attorneys yesterday filed an answer in the district court denying that the vessel was in danger of being damaged or becoming helpless.

NATIVE SONS ASKING DOMINION HIGHWAY

VANCOUVER, Nov. 5.—The Native Sons of B.C. wired Premier MacLean asking that he insist upon construction of a road across the province by the Dominion government to be part of a trans-Canada highway.

BOARD OF TRADE TO MAKE DRIVE FOR NEW MEMBERS

At the meeting of the Board of Trade last night it was decided to make a special drive for new members and with that in view the membership fee until the end of the year has been reduced to \$10, this to include the time until the end of 1928.

It was shown by the secretary that a great many business and professional people in the city are not members of the board and a special effort will be made to have them join up. At present there are no funds in the Board treasury and it is difficult for that organization to function. In order to make a canvas the president, W. O. Fulton, J. C. Brady, M.P., and B. J. Mellich were added to the membership committee.

FILM COMEDIAN IS EXPLOSION VICTIM

Ford Stirling Enveloped in Flames as Gasoline Torch Explodes While Lighting Furnace

HOLLYWOOD, Nov. 5.—While attempting to light the oil furnace in his home, Ford Stirling, film comedian, was enveloped in flames as a gasoline torch exploded. The actor was burned about the face and body and will have to remain in his bed for nearly a month. It is hoped that there will be no permanent disfigurement.

FISH ARRIVALS

Total of 83,500 Pounds of Halibut Sold at Exchange This Morning

A total of 83,500 pounds of halibut was sold at the Fish Exchange this morning, three American vessels disposing of 60,900 pounds at prices ranging from 15.8c and 6c to 17.9c and 6c, while six Canadian received bids of from 12c and 6c to 17.8c and 6c for 23,500 pounds.

Arrivals and sales were as follows:

American
Lituya, 17,000 pounds, Booth Fisheries, 16.5c and 6c.
Addington, 13,000 pounds, Atlin Fisheries, 17.9c and 6c.
Explorer, 30,000 pounds, Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., 15.8c and 6c.
Canadian
Chief Skugaid, 11,000 pounds, Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., 12c and 6c.
Emblein I., 3,000 pounds, Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co., 17.1c and 6c.
Kaen, 1,500 pounds, and Pair of Jacks, 1,800 pounds, Atlin Fisheries, 17.8c and 6c.
Gibson, 3,000 pounds, Royal Fish Co., 17.8c and 6c.
W. T., 3,500 pounds, Atlin Fisheries, 17c and 6c.

PRINCE JOHN TO BE DOCKED HERE NEXT WEEK FOR OVERHAUL

C.N.R. steamer Prince John, which has been tramp freighting recently, will arrive about the end of next week to enter the local dry dock for annual overhaul. Following that, the vessel will resume her regular service to Vancouver via the Queen Charlotte Islands which the Prince Charles is now performing.

ICE ON YUKON RIVER

RUBY, Nov. 5.—Navigation on the lower Yukon River closed Thursday when the first heavy ice of the season formed here.

CHINESE SHOT A CONSTABLE IN VANCOUVER

Was Stopped for Questioning When He Whipped Out Automatic and Fired

VANCOUVER, Nov. 5.—Constable Ernest Sergeant is in the hospital in a serious condition as the result of a bullet wound in the abdomen.

When the constable stopped a Chinaman early this morning to question him in the Fairview section of the city, the man whipped out an automatic and fired twice.

The Chinese made his escape although Sergeant fired before collapsing.

MANSON GETS HIS SUBJECTS CONSIDERED

Bluesky Legislation and Incorporation and Other Matters Discussed at Conference

OTTAWA, Nov. 5.—The Dominion provincial conference considered three all-important items Friday—"bluesky" legislation and the question of federal and provincial jurisdiction in the incorporation and operation of companies including trust, loan and insurance concerns. All these were referred to sub-committees.

These were the subjects urged by Hon. A. M. Manson.

Canadian Cattle Sold Chicago Fetch Highest Price of Year; Consignment Totals \$53,000

CHICAGO, November 5.—The highest price of the year paid for range cattle on the Chicago market was paid by the packers yesterday for 18 Canadian steers from the farm of A. H. Cross of Calgary, Alberta. The average weight of the animals was 1043 pounds and they sold for \$15.50 a hundred pounds.

This price is equal to the record high mark at the stockyards in all its history which was paid in 1920.

Cross sold the entire consignment of 19 car loads for \$53,500.

Floods in New England Are Worst in History

At Least Thirty People Have Lost Lives and Probably Many More While Loss of Property is Enormous

BOSTON, November 5.—Thirty persons are dead and the amount of material damage is staggering in the ever-mounting toll from the worst flood disaster that New England has experienced in the memory of man. Montpelier, the Vermont state capital, is isolated, and various reports put the death list there as high as 200 persons from the breaking of a dam.

Lieutenant Governor Hollister Jackson and six others are said to have perished at Barre, Vermont.

The light and power is cut off in central Vermont and at many places in New Hampshire and Massachusetts and bridges have been carried away.

Exclusive of Montpelier, the Vermont death toll is 16. Massachusetts 12, Rhode Island 1, and Maine 1. In Connecticut and New Hampshire the losses were confined to property.

Continuing rain and the inability of the railroads to cope with conditions continue the traffic paralysis. The railroads have lost hundreds of thousands of dollars in bridges and equipment, while countless hundreds of people have lost their livelihood. Factories, mills, lumber yards, and power plants have been caught in the swirling waters.

Ernest Lapointe Suggests Plan by Which Canada Might Secure Power to Amend Constitution

OTTAWA, November 5.—Hon. Ernest Lapointe submitted to the interprovincial conference rather as a question for discussion than as a formal proposal, a scheme under which Canada might have a right to amend her own constitution within certain limitations.

Ordinary suggestions for constitutional amendment would have to be passed by a definite majority of both houses of the Dominion and by the provincial legislatures. In matters affecting racial minorities and similar important questions, unanimity for a constitutional amendment would have to be secured.

Legislative authority for the scheme would have to be secured from Westminster.

During the discussion divergent and well defined opinions developed. Supporters of the scheme felt that minority rights would be assisted under the scheme. No decision was reached.

CANADA'S DEBT DROPPED.
OTTAWA, Nov. 5.—Canada's net debt dropped \$8,500,000 in the seven months ending October 31. Compared with last year the total revenues increased nearly \$20,000,000.

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Ninety Per Cent. of Wheat Is Threshed Says Kingsland After Tour with N. B. Walton

WINNIPEG, November 5.—Ninety per cent of the crop has been threshed, according to the estimate of W. A. Kingsland, general manager of the Canadian National Railways, western region. "The West has had a 400,000,000 bushel grain crop this year," he said today. "None of the three prairie provinces report a crop failure. Alberta has 200,000,000 bushels to show, Saskatchewan is not far behind, and Manitoba reported just a little less than usual, and such wheat. The like of it has never been seen in the West."

Mr. Kingsland, who has just returned from a visit to the head of the Lakes with N. B. Walton, general superintendent, declared that elevator construction at the Lakehead, far from being at its peak, had just nicely started. "Every year additional acreage is being put to the growth of the grain," he said. "While that is being done, elevators must and will be constructed, within two or three years you will see two or three large plants going up in Port Arthur."

"The Canadian National Railway is fully cognizant that it will have to keep pace with the growth of elevator construction, and is prepared to increase its terminal facilities as the occasion warrants," he added. As to immediate plans, he pointed out that the Canadian National would put in a large six track yard at Current River.

Marketing of grain along Canadian National lines in the week ending yesterday was more than four million bushels better than in the corresponding week a year ago. The total was 14,958,000 as compared with 10,494,000. Loadings also showed a substantial improvement and there were eight million more bushels in store than in 1926. Manitoba during the past week marketed 1,199,000 bushels; Saskatchewan 7,900,000 and Alberta 5,767,000. Between August 1 and November 2, cars of grain arriving at Vancouver totalled 2,574.

**QUEBEC FLOODS
CAUSE DAMAGE**

Two Days Heavy Rain Results in Much Damage in Eastern Townships

RIVERS OVERFLOW BANKS

Huge Areas Are Under Water and People in Some Places Live Upstairs

SHERBROOK, Que. Nov. 5.—With railroad beds and highways washed out in many places and bridges swept away by roaring torrents, traffic in the eastern townships of Quebec province is at a standstill as a result of floods occasioned by two days rainfall. Damage to the amount of many thousands of dollars is reported. The town of Magog is crowded with marooned automobiles.

QUEBEC, Nov. 5.—H. Campden, section foreman, is dead and four railway workers are injured by the derailment of the Canadian National train between Stoyrille and Drummondville following a bridge washout.

OLD COUNTRY FOOTBALL

ENGLISH LEAGUE
Division I.
Birmingham 1, Aston Villa 1.
Blackburn 4, Arsenal 1.
Bolton 7, Burnley 1.
Cardiff 1, Liverpool 1.
Everton 7, Leicester 1.
Huddersfield 2, Derby 1.
Manchester United 2, Portsmouth 0.
Middlesbrough 3, Sheffield United 0.
Newcastle 3, Sunderland 1.
The Wednesday 4, Bury 0.
Tottenham 3, West Ham 3.

Division II.
Blackpool 4, Preston 1.
Bristol City 4, Wolverhampton 1.
Chelsea 4, Swansea 0.
Clapton 3, Fulham 2.
Grimsby 4, Manchester City 1.
Notts County 2, Leeds 2.
Oldham 4, Notts Forest 1.
Reading 3, Hull 0.
Southampton 3, South Shields 5.
Stoke 0, Portvale 2.
West Bromwich 1, Barnsley 1.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE
Division I.
Celtic 1, Airdrieonians 2.
Boness 1, St. Johnstone 2.
Dunfermline 0, Rangers 5.
Falkirk 6, Kilmarnock 0.
Hibernians 4, Dundee 0.
Motherwell 2, Cowdenbeath 1.
Partick 7, Aberdeen 0.
Queen's Park 2, Clyde 2.
Raith Rovers 3, Hamilton 3.
St. Mirren 2, Hearts 0.

EARTHQUAKE CALIFORNIA

Coast Shaken From Santa Maria to Santa Barbara Yesterday But Not Seriously

LOS ANGELES, Nov. 5.—An earthquake of considerable duration but moderate intensity was felt along the coast from Santa Maria to Santa Barbara this morning. At Hondo, a rock-bound promontory, 25 miles north of Santa Barbara, the track was thrown out of alignment causing a slowing down of the train service.

Stones from the Masonic Hall at Santa Maria were dislodged into the streets, a few windows were cracked and a few chimneys toppled over.

GUILTY AT VANCOUVER OF DEFRAUDING PUBLIC

VANCOUVER, Nov. 5.—Fay Lear and J. A. Anderson were found guilty early this morning of conspiring to defraud the public by means of financial enterprise. The assize court jury delivered its verdict with a strong recommendation to mercy.

WHEAT PRICE BETTER

VANCOUVER, Nov. 5.—The price of wheat was slightly improved today when No. 1 Northern was quoted on the local exchange at \$1.37½.

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