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MEN DRIFT ACROSS BEHRING STRAIT

MARKETING CONTROL BILL IS ATTACKED IN LEGISLATURE

Unparalleled Story of Disaster and Danger Related in Far North

SIBERIAN WALRUS HUNTERS LANDED ON ST. LAWRENCE ISLAND AFTER TERRIFIC FIFTEEN DAY PASSAGE IN ICY WATERS

SEVOONGA, St. Lawrence Island, Alaska, February 18.—Eight men in an open skin canoe for three hundred miles across Behring from Siberia to this island under the lash of Arctic storms, six of a party of eight walrus hunters recounted an almost unparalleled story of hardship, peril, suffering and tragic disaster. Their arms and legs were frozen, eyes distended and their scanty clothing in tatters when the six men finally reached the Eskimo village of Gambell on the northern part of the island from where the story of their ill-fated battle with the elements reached here by radio.

PIONEER WOMAN HERE IS DEAD

MRS. WALTER UTLEY, WHOSE DEATH OCCURRED YESTERDAY, CAME TO SKEENA RIVER HALF A CENTURY AGO

A widely known and real pioneer of this district passed away with Mrs. Catherine Utley, which place at her home in Haysport yesterday morning at 5 o'clock. Fifty-three of age and a native daughter of Columbia, having been born in Ohio on Christmas Day, 1873 the late Utley was the daughter of the late Walter and Mary Spence, well known to River pioneers and, with her husband, came to Port Essington half a century ago.

Her first husband was Peter Herman whom she had six children who survive. He died in 1908 and later she married the late Walter Utley of Haysport who is now left to mourn her. The surviving children are Mrs. Kelday of Haysport, Mrs. Hilda of 1037 First Avenue West, Prince Rupert, and Miss Mary Herman of Haysport; and William Herman, Walter Herman, Prince Rupert, Roy Herman, Haysport, sons. Funeral arrangements are in the hands of B. C. Undertakers and interment will take place on Sunday with Church of England rites.

ALL EXHIBIT AGRICULTURE

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT TO SEND FAIRS TO CANADIAN AND AMERICAN FAIRS THIS YEAR—VOTE IS MADE

VICTORIA, Feb. 18.—An exhibition of agricultural products will be sent to the Canadian National Exhibition at Toronto, the Chicago International Show and other fairs in the United States. Both field crops and stock will be shown at Toronto but animals will be sent to American fairs.

HALIBUT BOATS SEEK SHELTER

ATTACKED WITH ICE, THEY RUN INTO PORT TOWARD FOR PROTECTION FROM WIND AND COLD

PRINCE RUPERT, Feb. 18.—Snow and high winds, accompanied by a sharp drop in temperature, have driven halibut boats toward the Gulf of Alaska. The boats, which had not returned to fish, were heavily coated with ice.

FALLING TREE STRUCK INDIAN

PETER NELSON OF METLAKATLA RESCUED LAST NIGHT BY PROVINCIAL POLICE DETACHMENT

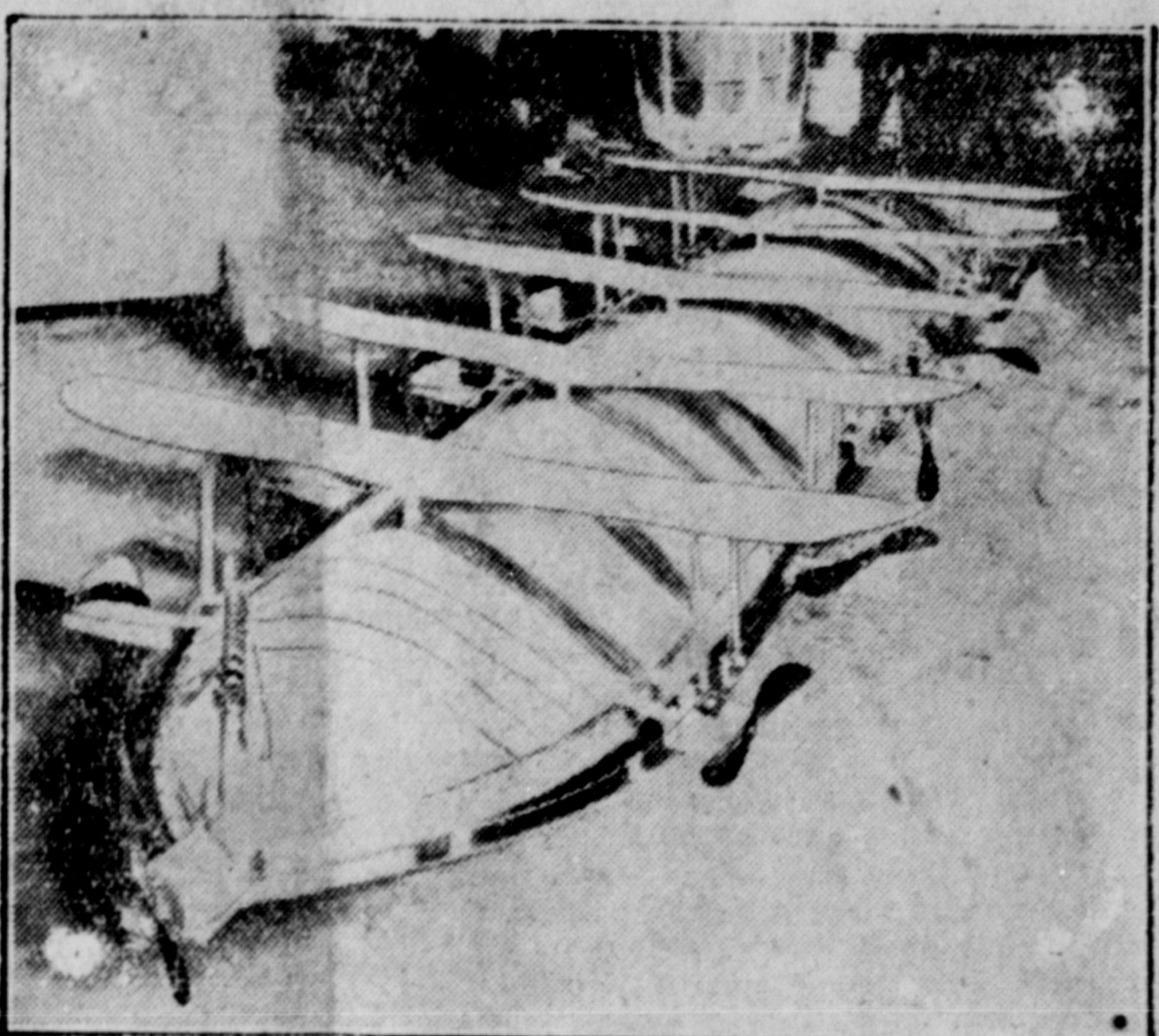
An Indian named Peter Nelson of the Metlakatla Reserve was rescued by Sgt. McNeill, Constables Clark, Raybone and Hayes at midnight last night at a point on the west coast of Digby Island and brought to the local hospital.

It appears that Nelson, accompanied by an Indian boy of tender years, was in search of a good piece of timber and having found one, felled it. In falling it struck another tree and broke the top part, which fell and struck the Indian who could not get out of the way in time.

Nelson was unable to move so the boy later in the afternoon located a white trapper on the island by the name of Sidney Pedersen who came to his assistance. He did the best he could for Nelson in the bush, and then sought aid by walking around the beach of the island for 10 miles to the Marine Station where help was summoned from police headquarters.

The police reached their destination at midnight and found that Nelson was still in the same predicament. A stretcher was made, and a trail cut through the bush to the beach by flashlight, after which Nelson was finally landed on a gas boat in a strong southeasterly gale, the party landing at the hospital at 3:15 this morning.

Latest reports state that Nelson is suffering more from shock and exposure, also from minor injuries. It is, however, expected that he will again be around in a few days.



COMBINATION AIRSHIP AND AIRPLANE, invented by Claude Freece, Los Angeles, who will make a trip from California to Europe in 50 hours if his dream comes true. The proposed craft is to be 768 feet long, 96 feet high, 144 feet wide, all metal and weigh 55 tons empty. Five planes, front one 200 feet from tip to tip, with eleven motors and propellers, five on each side and one in front, with 30 tons of gasoline will make 150 miles an hour for 10,000 miles radius.

NEW BEACONS IN RUPERT HARBOR

ESTABLISHMENT OF FURTHER AIDS TO NAVIGATION HERE ANNOUNCED BY MARINE DEPARTMENT

The establishment of eight beacons in Prince Rupert Harbor to facilitate correction of vessels' compasses is announced by the Department of Marine and Fisheries in notices to mariners. The beacons give ranges for eight points of the magnetic compass. The front four beacons are situated on Vigilant Island and the four back beacons on the northwestern shore of the harbor from Beacon Point northeastward. Their approximate position is latitude N. 54 deg. 20' and longitude W. 130 deg. 19'. The front beacons are concrete blocks surrounded by staffs with white triangular framework top marks and the back beacons are white triangular with black vertical stripes down the middle.

Two range day beacons have also been established on the western side of Pike Island, Metlakatla Bay, which, when in line bearing 160 deg. 30', lead over the bar northward of Carr Island at its lowest part where it dries seven feet at low water. The front beacon is on a drying flat from Knight Island and the back on high water mark from the front. The former has a concrete base surrounded by a staff with white triangular day mark attached while the latter is white triangular shaped.

BATTALION LEAVES HONG KONG ENROUTE PORT OF SHANGHAI

HONG KONG, Feb. 18.—A battalion of the British Second Suffolk Regiment departed today for Shanghai.

WEATHER REPORT

Prince Rupert.—Cloudy, light southeasterly; temperature, 43.
Terrace.—Cloudy, calm, temp. 15.
Rosswood.—Snowing, calm, temp. 13.
Alice Arm.—Cloudy, calm, temp. 18.
Anyox.—Cloudy, N. wind, temp. 30.
Stewart.—Cloudy, N. wind, temp. 23.
Hazelton.—Light snow, windy, temp. 14.
Telegraph Creek.—Cloudy, calm, temp. 4.
Smithers.—Snow, calm, temp. 7.
Burns Lake.—Snow, windy, temp. 11.
Whitehorse.—Cloudy, calm, 12 below.
Dawson.—Cloudy.—N. wind, 30 below.
Stewart River.—34 below.

Royalty Scathed by Laborites as Appropriation for Trip to Australia Passed by Commons

LONDON, England, February 18.—Lively scenes were renewed in the House of Commons last night when the vote for the expenses of the Duke and Duchess of York's present tour to Australia was discussed. It was eventually approved without division.

The vote was challenged by many Laborites as a waste of money. John Scurr, Stepney Labor member, thought the voyage could have been made on an ordinary liner by Their Highnesses instead of being virtually "wrapped in cotton wool with naval officers around them."

David Kirkwood, Scottish member, if they never return." This brought loud cries of "order," the Speaker rebuking Kirkwood.

Other Laborites protested against the expenditure in milder terms. Ramsay MacDonald, Labor leader, was not in the House.

33 ARE KILLED IN SOUTHERN TORNADOS

Blow in State of Louisiana Takes Toll of Lives—Colored People Suffer

ST. JOSEPH, Louisiana, Feb. 18.—Seven negroes were killed in a tornado here last night. At Pleasant Hill, Louisiana, eleven persons were killed by a tornado.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 18.—The death list from last night's tornado in Louisiana state has now reached thirty-three. Scores were injured and there was heavy property loss.

SUGAR BOAT FEARED LOST

FREIGHTER ELKTON BELIEVED TO HAVE GONE DOWN WITH CREW OF 36 NEAR PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

MANILA, Feb. 18.—Fears that the United States Shipping Board's freighter Elkton has been lost with all hands on board are expressed here by the Admiral Line, operators of the vessel. The steamer Liberator, which responded to the S.O.S. of the Elkton, searched the entire area given by the latter as its location without finding trace of the stricken freighter or open boats to which the crew might have taken.

The Elkton carried a personnel of thirty-six and was enroute from the Philippines to Honolulu with a cargo of sugar.

NATIONALISTS HAVE CAPTURED IMPORTANT PLACE NEAR SHANGHAI

SHANGHAI, Feb. 18.—The capture of Wangchow, an important centre 113 miles southwest of here, by the Nationalists was confirmed today.

Commission Will Be Named to Go Further Into Influence of Liquor Interests in Province

VICTORIA, February 18.—Attorney General Manson announced in the Legislature yesterday afternoon that the government would appoint this week a royal commission of three members to investigate liquor campaign funds as recommended in the report of the select committee headed by Brigadier-General V. W. Odlum, member of the Legislature for Vancouver. The committee urged that the commission be given wide powers to ascertain whether or not improper influence had been exerted to bring about

First—A rise in price paid the brewers for beer sold by the government.

Second—Decision of the Legislature in favor of sale of beer by the glass.

Third—Excessive prices, if any, paid by the government for liquor.

Fourth—Assurance and protection such as was indicated in a special account carried by the brewers and disclosed in evidence before the customs commission.

Liberals Are Divided on Measure; Vancouver Member in Opposition

MANSON PROTESTS AT MACKENZIE'S REMARKS—VARYING VIEWS ARE TAKEN TO DECLINE BILL—DECLARED TOTALLY OUT OF ORDER

VICTORIA, February 18.—The government's marketing control bill was subjected to an attack in the Legislature on Thursday when the whole question of the constitutionality of the measure was brought to the fore in the House by Ian Mackenzie, Liberal member for Vancouver, who launched an attack against the measure over the protests of Attorney General Manson. Mackenzie contended that the bill was totally out of order and could not be proceeded with further by the Legislature.

Manson declared that the government had consulted eminent legal counsel and had been assured that the measure was absolutely ultra vires. In any case, the attorney general asserted, relief to the agriculturalists was a matter of such pressing importance that the Legislature would be warranted in passing the bill and allowing the courts to decide its constitutionality.

Premier Oliver, urging careful consideration, revealed the opinion that grave doubt existed as to the Legislature's power to put such a law on the statute books.

Speaker Buckham reserved ruling on the objections raised by Mackenzie and held the measure ultra vires inasmuch as it interfered with the regulation of trade and commerce which rested with the Dominion government.

It was argued that the measure was contrary to the Combine Investigation Act as the bill proposed to place in the hands of certain persons the control of certain specified primary products such as milk. It was also argued that the bill was contrary to the Criminal Code inasmuch as it designed to lessen competition and facilities for the handling of trade in certain articles. Another objection was that it made express provision for the Crown divesting itself of all responsibilities where full responsibility rested with the Crown in protecting the public. Finally, it was set out that the bill could result in the confiscation of individual property by delegated power and without sanction otherwise than of the Legislature.

GRAIN LOADING AT VANCOUVER

ONLY PART CARGOES WERE TAKEN BY NINE VESSELS AT SOUTHERN PORT THIS WEEK

VANCOUVER, Feb. 19.—Grain loadings from the port during the week were as follows:

	Bushels
City of Winnipeg, for Hull	70,916
Drechdyk, for London	37,334
" for Liverpool	37,334
Pacific Trader, for Manchester	37,333
Montana, for Havre with Antwerp option	74,433
Eemdyk, for Rotterdam	74,657
" for Antwerp	37,333
City of Vancouver, for Yokohama	33,333
Kaisha Maru, for Nagoya	66,667
Pint Bonita, for Port Columbia	12,000
Admiral Peary, for Buenaventura	5,000

GRAHAM ISLAND TIMBER IS SOLD

119,000,000 FEET BOUGHT IN 1909 FOR \$17,000 NOW BRINGS \$95,000; BANKRUPT CONCERN

VANCOUVER, Feb. 18.—On application of W. R. Carmichael, receiver for the Howland & Walz Co., of Minneapolis, owners, Mr. Justice D. A. McDonald in the Supreme Court yesterday ratified the sale of 119,000,000 feet of timber on Graham Island to a purchaser whose identity was not disclosed for \$95,000. Evidence showed that T. G. Howland, partner in the bankrupt concern, had purchased the same timber in 1909 for \$17,000.

C.P.R. STOCK AT HIGH LEVEL

Was Selling Yesterday on New York Exchange for 189, a Record For Two Decades

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Canadian Pacific stock shared an advance with other rails on the New York market yesterday, breaking into a new high record of 189 or an advance of 9 5/8 points over Thursday's price. C.P.R. stock has not been sold at that price for a decade.

RESIGNATION OF P.G.E. MANAGER

Officially Announced Yesterday by Provincial Minister—Successor Not Yet Appointed

VICTORIA, Feb. 18.—The resignation of Thomas Kilpatrick as manager of the Pacific Coast Eastern Railway was officially announced yesterday by Hon. Dr. W. H. Sutherland, minister of railways who said that the choice of a successor was still under consideration by the directors of the railway. Mr. Kilpatrick will assume a position as superintendent of bridges for the government.

ALBERTA PROVINCE HAVING COLD SNAP

Medicine Hat Has 40 Below; Calgary, 25; Lethbridge, 30 to 40; and Edmonton, 30 to 38

CALGARY, Feb. 18.—The entire province is in the grip of a cold wave. Medicine Hat records 40 below weather; Calgary district, 25 below; Lethbridge district, from 30 to 40 below; and Edmonton, 30 to 38 below.

HOCKEY

New York Rangers 1, Montreal Maroons 4.
Ottawa 2, Detroit 1.
New York Americans 1, St. Patricks 4

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