Airplane Survivors Tell Experiences

EPIC STORY OF BURKE'S DEATH AND BURIAL TOLD BY MARTIN AND KADING

WHITEHORSE, Dec. 11:—In a conversation with Emil vol. XXI., No. 288. Kading and Bob Martin, who were rescued this week from

After leaving Liard Post on October 11, they flew into a snowstorm and went back to the Liard River. They followed up the river, hoping to reach Wolf Lake, but were compelled to land in the river to await clear weather. They made another start the same day but the storm came on again before they had gone far and they were compelled to land again. This time, the pontoons struck a rock and floating ce and were badly damaged but the plane was undamaged.

They camped beside the plane for six days during which time Kading hunted for game with little success.

On October 17, they left the camp, travelling up the river, hoping to make Wolf Lake. The entire party was ernment air force, working under now becoming weak from lack of food and were unable to the Department of National Detravel far at a time, on account of deep snow and the necessity to make frequent camps.

Burke was rapidly losing strength and it was easily for this but they will be criticized seen that he could not hold out much longer. On Novem- more now that it is shown that, ber 15, Kading shot a carbou which gave he (Kading) and if they had acted, the story told Martin renewed strength but Burke was too far gone to vesterday might have been difbe helped. He drank some soup but it failed to revive him.

Burial of Paddy Burke

On November 20, Kading and Martin performed the sad it seems as if those in charge of duty of making a grave out of logs for Paddy about forty the Air Force have laid themmiles from the abandoned plane. They made it as safe as selves open for very severe critpossible from the molestation of wild animals.

On November 8, Burke had made his last entry in the logand wrote a message for his wife who is now in Atlin

Martin but it was gone before the two men had time to make a big smoke. A few days later the plane passed over them again and they suffered the same heartbreaking experience.

Determined now to have fuel handy to make a big smoke in case the rescue plane should again be seen, they put all their energy into gathering a huge pile of dry boughs and listened intent for the sound of Wasson's motor.

Martin and Kading Found

Last Saturday while Kading was some distance from the camp gathering wood, Martin heard the sound of an ap- Following was the attendance per proaching plane and called to Kading. Both men worked frantically piling fuel on the fire and making a huge smoke which was seen by Wasson and Walsh. Wasson circled over Martin and Kading as a signal that he had seen the smoke and then looked for a suitable landing place which was 10 miles from the camp.

Immediately after landing, Wasson and Walsh set out on snowshoes for the camp. Regardless of approaching darkness and a severe blizzard which soon sprang up, Wasson and Walsh trudged on but, in the storm, they mis- school, 94.09; Borden Street, 91.3; sed the camp and mushed several miles beyond it before

they made camp for the night. On Sunday morning, Wasson and Walsh mushed back, shouting at intervals. Finally Martin and Kading heard them. Weakness made them unable to answer by shouting so they fired their last cartridge to attract attention. In a few minutes, Wasson and Walsh were providing the un- Hanson inquest is

fortunate men with food and stimulants. They all camped together at this place on Sunday night and on Monday, Kading and Martin having recovered sufficiently, the party struck out for Wasson's plane which was reached late in the afternoon. Tuesday was stormy so

the party had to remain in camp. Kading and Martin had made such a wonderful comeback that, when they reached here at noon yesterday, Hanson, who died last Sunday from outward appearances, they looked none the worse for their trying experiences except for two months' growth of beards.

Martin has two slightly frozen toes and one of Kading's was pinned beneath a city truck hands is frost-bitten but the condition of neither is serious.

Will Go Back For Burke Body

It is expected that Pilot Everett Wasson and Joe Walsh, court this afternoon. Principal witheroes in the solving of the great air mystery, will go back nesses are men who were riding on to the Liard River soon to bring out Burke's body. The the truck at the time. grave has been carefully marked. The body will have to be carried out 10 miles to the plane which will take the remains to Atlin where Mrs. Burke resides and where burial BOND MAN will likely be made.

Capt. Burke, World War airman, who perished in peace time adventuring, is survived, besides his widow by two small children—one a daughter, about twelve years of age, Harry Boorman of Victoria Charged

and the other a son, little more than a babe. It is said here that Burke embarked upon the ill-fated flight against his better judgment, feeling that it was VICTORIA, Dec. 11:-Harry E. hazardous to embark upon such a long hop between sea- Boorman, local head of the British sons when a freeze-up was imminent. However, he had had Columbia Bond Corporation, was bad luck during the season, having lost considerable time arrested yesterday on a warrant and a number of trips and, there being real money in Mar-tin's expedition, he decided to take the chance which cost from David Henry. He was released

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The Daily Arms

NORTHERN AND CENTRAL BRITISH COLUMBIA'S NEWSPAPER

PRINCE RUPERT, B.C., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1930

PRICE FIVE CENTS

SPEND AN

Enjoyable Evening

Sunken Gardens

the barren wilds of the Upper Liard River country by Pilot E. L. Wasson, the following story was obtained of their hardships and the death and burial of Capt. E. J. A.

EDITORIAL

LEFT TO STARVE

Almost six weeks after being stranded in Northern British Columbia Captain Burke, the well known flyer, starved to death. During all that time no attempt was made by the Canadian govfence, to go to the rescue. Already they have been much criticized

Without full knowledge it is difficult to know what to say but icism.

On November 25, Wasson's plane flew over Kading and ATTENDANCE IN SCHOOLS

Total of 1095 Pupils Were Enrolled Last Month

There were a total of 1095 pupils in attendance at the schools of this city in November, reports of principals presented to the school board at its meeting last night showed.

There were 540 boys and 555 girls.

school:			
	Boys	Girls	Total
High School	92	115	207
Booth School	.233	229	462
Borden Street	.167	172	339
Westview	13	12	25
Seal Cove	35	27	62
Totals	.540	555	1095

Attendance percentages were as follows: High School, 97; Booth Westview, 99.3; Seal Cove, 93..59.

Prevalence of mumps and colds had adversely affected the attendance figures in some of the schools, it was reported.

Being Held Today

Circumstances of Death of City Workman As Result of Injuries Are Being Probed

morning in the Prince Rupert General Hospital from injuries sustained the evening previous when he which went off the street at the corner of Bacon Street and Tenth Avenue, is proceeding before Cor-

With Obtaining Securities by False Pretences

on bail.

Plane Frozen In Blizzard



Sandy MacDonald of Toronto, forestry pilot in far north, beside his plane frozen in at Thicket Portage, Man., during blizzard of October 15, last.

Winston Churchill Is Opposed To Freedom For India; Loss of Colony Would Dissolve Empire

LONDON, Dec. 11:-In a slashing attack on the Indian Round Table Conference today, Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill declared flatly his opposition to any freedom for India such as would be involved in the creation of Dominion status Suspension of British control, he said, would mean either armed Hindu despotism or fierce internal war. The

loss of India, he said, would con-#summate the downfall of the British Empire. He made these declarations in an address under the auspices of the Indian Empire Society.

HALIFAX, Dec. 11:-The Canadian National Steamships new liner Prince Robert, built for Pacific Coast service, arrived here yesterday from Liverpool. Capt. N. Cameron, considers the ship ideal for Pacific service. W. E. Baillie is chief engineer of the vessel.

The Prince Robert will not go to the Pacific Coast until next summer. Meantime, she will run a number of excursions on the Atlantic

Toronto Stocks (Courtesy S. D. Johnston Co.)

Bayview, 1, nil.

Big Missouri, 38, 40. George Copper, 60, 65. Georgia River, 11/2, 2. Golconda, 31, nil. Grandview, nil, 31/2. Independence, nil, 2. Indian Mines, 11/4, 2. Kootenay Florence, 1, 11/2. Kootenay King, 1, nil. L. & L., nil, 1. Lucky Jim, 11/2, nil. Morton Woolsey, 21/2, nil. Marmot River Gold, nil, 1. Marmot Metals, nil, 1. National Silver, 2, 21/2. Noble Five, 4, 5. Oregon Copper, 6, 7. Pend Oreille, 80, nil. Premier, 73, 74. Porter-Idaho, 7, 71/2. Reeves Macdonald, 25, nil. Ruth-Hope, nil, 5. Silver Crest, 11/2, 21/2. Snowflake, 11/2, 21/2. Whitewater, 4, nil. Woodbine, 1, 11/4. Bluebird, nil, 3.

A. P. Con., 33, 35. Calmont, 25, nil. Dalhousie, 46, 50, Devenish, nil, 7. Fabyan Pete, 21/4, nil. Home, 1.92, 1.94. Royalite, 18.00, nil. Hargal, 10, 12. Mercury, 36, 371/2. Merland, 14, 141/2. United, 25, 26.

REASON

Philip Snowden Discusses Proposed Imperial Conference at Ottawa Next Year

LONDON, Dec. 11:-Rt. Hon. Philip Snowden, Chancellor of the Exchequer, stated in the House of Commons today that he could not see any sufficient reason for adopting a suggestion that the British government should consider the advisability of preparing proposals for financial co-operation between the governments of the Empire for submission to an Imperial economic conference at Ottawa next year.

OLD FLOAT MAINTENANCE

City Council Asks Provincial Government to Keep Up Cow Bay Launch Harbor Temporarity

In reply to a communication from Hon. R. W. Bruhn, minister of public meeting yesterday afternoon, on motion of Ald. Collart and Ald. Lin- cessful in accomplishing. zey, decided to request the provincial government to maintain tem- ious fate of Pilot Renahan and his porarily at least the old fishermen's two companions, Frank Hatcher. floats in Cow Bay. It was felt by the mechanic, and Sam Clerf, guide, council that these old floats were makes four lives lost in connecstill a great convenience to the pub- tion with the disappearance of

Mr. Bruhn's communication pointed out that the government had practically no interest in continuing the Cow Bay floats, same being for the fishermen on the coast to ma Hudson, whose death occurred whom they were free of charge, the on Tuesday, took place this after- date: city being, therefore, the main be- noon from the chapel of the B. C. Previously acknowledged nefactor. In addition the Dominion Undertakers to Fairview Cemetery. A Friend government had provided new Rev. Canon W. F. Rushbrook offic- Mr. and Mrs. E. Rawling floats at a considerable cost. The jated. provincial government proposed to do no more work on the floats but, TWO THOUSAND NAMES before taking action, would like to be advised by the city.

VANCOUVER WHEAT

VANCOUVER, Dec. 11: - Wheat confirmed the list. There are about was quoted on the local exchange 2,000 names on this year's voter today at 581/2c.

VETERAN CHIEF MAGISTRATE IS AGAIN ENTRUSTED WITH OFFICE BY SOUTHERN CITY

Was Given Majority of More Than Five Thousand Votes Over Mayor W. H. Malkin at Polls Yesterday

VANCOUVER, Dec. 11:-Ex-Mayor Louis D. Taylor, who has served the city as chief magistrate for seven years at various times, was again elected in yesterday's civic election over Mayor W. H. Malkin with a majority of over five thousand votes. The vote was: Malkin, 17,464; Taylor, 22,550. There is but one new face on the aldermanic board.

CAPT. BURKE

Last Year

Four Lives Lost

of the Government Telegraphs

Olof Hanson, M.P., and possible

having visited here in the past.

ited Prince Rupert in 1929. It was

ing two or three years ago, Capt.

the ill-fated flight on October :

of the fall.

Capt. Burke.

BURIED TODAY

ON CITY VOTER LIST

Court of revision on the munici-

a commercial route to Alaska.

this being that of Walter Deptford Laborite, who was elected in Ward Seven to succeed Angus McInnis M.P., who quit the city council to devote all his time to federal affairs.

KNOWN HERE Local People Had Flown With Dead OFFICIAL Who Visited Prince Rupert IS IN CITY

A. A. Tisdall, General Manager, Western Region, C. N. R. Is It was with feelings of personal Here Today regret that many Prince Rupert

people received the word yesterday A. A. Tisdall, general manager, afternoon that Capt. E. J. A. Burke well known commercial aviator of western region, Canadian National Railways, arrived in the city on Atlin, had died under such tragit circumstances. Quite a number of this afternoon's train in the course of a western tour on official busilocal people had flown with Capt. ness and will sail on the Prince Burke in the north during the past summer. These included Dr. George tonight for Vancouver.

The council of the Prince Rupert J. T. Mandy, resident mining en-Chamber of Commerce will hold a gineer; J. D. Lawrence, local agent dinner this evening in the Commodore Cafe for Mr. Tisdall.

Mr. Tisdall is accompanied by G. others. Still other local people M. Hair, regional counsel, Winniknew Capt. Burke through his peg; Dr. J. M. Leney, regional medical officer, and other officials of may be remebered that he was the the railway company. pilot of the first airplane that vis-

a Boeing boat that was exploring Westview People Are Not Willing Before taking up commercial fly-Burke was in the Royal Canadian To Pay For Bus Air Force. He won distinction as flyer in the Great War. He is

survived by a widow and children Parents of Westview had no rewho went to Atlin to take up resiply at last night's meeting of the dence shortly before the start of school board to the suggestion offered them last month by the board that they might assume at least It was ironical enough that Capt. part of the cost of bus service to Burke should have set his plane carry the children of that section down safely on the Liard River, of town to schools in town.

only to perish later from starva- Trustee L. W. Waugh explained tion while endeavoring to find his that some of the parents had exway out after his plane had been pressed willingness to contribute frozen in by the first cold spell financially to such a service. Not a sufficient number had expressed Pilot Everett L. Wasson did yeo- themselves, however.

man work in his persistent efforts In view of the fact that the board works, the city council, at a special to solve the grim tragedy of the has no money available with which north which he was at last suc- to finance the service, it was decided to drop the matter for the The now conceded but myster- time being at least.

Christmas Fund

The Christmas fund of the Salvation Army is not advancing very rapidly but doubtless it will reach a substantial amount before the festive season comes. The funeral of the late Mrs. Em-

Following are the receipts to

Tomorrow's Tides

Friday, December 12, 1930

	pal voters' list for next month's el-		-			
	ection sat yesterday afternoon and	High	6.51	a.m.	18.6	ft.
	confirmed the list. There are about		18.45	p.m.	17.9	ft
1	2,000 names on this year's voters'	Low	0.14	a.m.	4.8	ft.
	list.		12.55	p.m.	8.8	ft.