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## AWFUL DISASTER IN NEW ZEALAND

### BURKE PLANE SALVAGE OPERATIONS NOW COMMENCING

#### Hundreds Are Dead In Southern Dominion and Thousands Injured By Quake and Fire Catastrophe

City of Napier, Capital of Hawkes Bay Province, Is Levelled and Four Nearby Towns Wrecked as Result of Holocaust

#### Communities With Water Off Blast Flames With Dynamite

Early Reports of Casualties Are Likely to be Far Exceeded—Warships go to Rescue, Carrying Doctors and Nurses

AUCKLAND, New Zealand, Feb. 3.—Earthquake and fire levelled the city of Napier, New Zealand, early today, leaving a casualty list reported at 100 dead and 1000 injured, and wrecked four nearby towns, causing an undetermined number of fatalities and injuries. Napier is still ablaze and virtually helpless tonight, the quake having cut off the water supply. Dynamiting is being resorted to in the endeavor to check the flames.

The first shock came shortly before 11 o'clock in the morning, shaking a large part of the coastal region of Hawkes Bay province of which Napier, a city of 14,000 people, is the capital.

Hastings town, fifteen miles from Napier, reported 21 dead and 100 injured.

All early reports of casualties are expected to be exceeded as no accurate count is immediately available.

The British sloop of war Veronica, anchored at Napier, together with other vessels in the harbor, extended every assistance. The British warships Diomed and Dunedin left Auckland at once for Napier with 66 doctors and 15 nurses aboard.

The quake is the worst disaster that has ever been suffered by New Zealand, the whole business area of Napier being destroyed. Roads were broken up and bridges destroyed between Napier and Hastings.

#### Alderman Would Let People Outside Exchange Property For More Central City Lots

A novel suggestion was made by Ald. W. J. McCutcheon at last night's meeting of the city council that some plan be evolved whereby many people living in the outside sections of the city might have the opportunity to trade in their property for closer in lots now in the hands of the city. Such a scheme, Ald. McCutcheon thought, would give the people concerned the advantage of more central and valuable property and, at the same time, would bring in more taxes for the city.

#### ECKMANN IS HOME

SEATTLE, Feb. 3.—Pilot Ansel Eckmann and Mechanic Frank Wadman arrived here yesterday from Victoria in the Alaska-Washington Airways seaplane Wrangell after having spent the past month at Ketchikan and Prince Rupert in a vain search for further wreckage of the plane of Pilot Robin A. Renahan, who is believed to have crashed in Dixon's Entrance on October 28 last with two companions.

#### BOOST THEIR OWN SALARY

VANCOUVER, Feb. 3.—City aldermen by a vote of seven to four yesterday boosted their salaries from \$1200 to \$2000 per year.

#### DOMINION WINS CASE

OTTAWA, Feb. 3.—The Dominion does not have to account to Saskatchewan for alienation of lands within its boundaries which were alienated by the Dominion of Canada prior to September 1, 1925, according to a decision handed down in Supreme Court of Canada today.

#### Annual Mining Lectures Opened Here Last Evening With Sixty Persons Listening to Speakers

An audience of over sixty last night greeted the speakers at the first of a series of meetings organized by the Provincial Department of Mines as an aid to prospectors and others interested in mining, or the search for metals. By way of introduction, Dr. Mandy, resident mining engineer, gave a brief outline of the history and the lure of the search. He referred to it as an age-old incentive to world progress and as the foundation of national greatness as well as of commercial integrity. He gave figures to show the importance of mining for metals and non-metals, of its tremendous payroll and of the industrial and commercial importance to the world of the work of the prospector. In concluding his remarks, Dr. Mandy explained that Frank Rice had consented to act as chairman. Mr. Rice, after a brief reference to the purpose of the meetings, called on the speaker, Dr. W. V. Smitheringale, who introduced his subject by outlining the geologic phenomena and processes and content of the earth, the supposed iron-nickel core, the molten magma the very basic, the basic and finally the outer crust, the atmosphere, the hydrosphere and the lithosphere—the 95% gaseous, the 5% sedimentary and the very, very small percent of valuable metals, the periods of sedimentation, the recurrent upheavals, the resultant tilting or contortion of strata, the geologic eras and the necessary study of (Continued on page three)

#### STEAMERS COLLIDED

Crash With Freighter Northland Caused Camosun to be Late in Arriving Here

BOTH SHIPS DAMAGED

On arrival last night at 8:45, more than twenty-four hours late, of the Union steamer Camosun. Capt. James Findlay, from the south, it was learned that the vessel had been delayed on her voyage north by having had to return to her dock in Vancouver last Friday evening following a collision at the First Narrows in a dense fog with the freighter Northholm of the Frank Waterhouse line.

The collision occurred at 10:30 Friday night in a characteristic impenetrable Vancouver fog as the Camosun was putting out for the north and the Northholm was coming in from the west coast of Vancouver Island with a load of herring and salmon. Both vessels were navigating very cautiously. They collided head on at very slow speed.

The Northholm was quite badly damaged, a large hole being torn in the fo'c'sle head. The Camosun lost an anchor, sprung some of her plates and damaged a boom. The impact was so severe that men on both vessels were thrown from their beds.

The Northholm is being held in Vancouver for repairs. The Camosun, however, after an inspection, was allowed to proceed on her voyage north and will receive repairs later.

The Union boat left Vancouver today at 59½ a.c.

#### SUBMARINE WRECKED

Twelve Men Injured in Explosion Aboard X-1, One of Largest Undersea Craft in Navy

CHATHAM, Eng., Feb. 3.—Twelve men were injured, two of them critically, today when an explosion of undetermined origin wrecked the internal combustion engine of the submarine X-1, one of the largest undersea boats in the British navy.



A Governor General Departs  
 Full military honors were accorded Viscount Willingdon, on the occasion of his sailing from Saint John, N.B. in the Canadian Pacific liner "Montclare", on relinquishing his post as Governor General of Canada to assume that of Viceroy of India. The pictures show: the vice-regal party on board ship, including Their Excellencies Viscount and Lady Willingdon; Captain G. Fitzgibbon McCombie, of the "Montclare"; Colonel Humphrey Snow, Comptroller of the Household; and Lieutenant D. H. Fuller, A.D.C.; the inspection of the guard of honor, with Captain Streetfield, A.D.C., in the foreground; he had a special berth on the ship; taking the salute in front of the Admiral Beatty Hotel, and one of the gun-crews of the saluting battery on Partridge Island, which fired 19 guns as the liner passed, bearing Their Excellencies to England.

#### Pilot Stan McMillan Arrives at Atlin; Is Picking Up His Party

FLIES TO WHITEHORSE TODAY TO GET JOERSS AND VAN DER BYL AND RETURNS THIS AFTERNOON FOR KADING—OFF TO LIARD TOMORROW

ATLIN, Feb. 3.—Pilot Stan McMillan, with a Commercial Airways (Edmonton) plane, arrived here at noon yesterday from Fort McMurray. Pilot McMillan reported having had a very rough trip in the course of which he was delayed by stormy weather. He left this morning for Whitehorse to pick up Pilots W. A. Joerss and R. I. Van Der Byl and will return here this afternoon for Emil Kading. If weather permits, the plane will leave tomorrow morning with the party for the upper Liard River just across the Yukon border to institute the salvage of the Air Land Manufacturing Co.'s plane which was landed there last October by the late Capt. E. J. A. Burke who later starved to death.

#### FORGING AIR MAIL CHAIN

Pilot A. E. Jarvis Favored by Good Weather in Taking Off From Winnipeg

WINNIPEG, Feb. 3.—Favored by clear skies and a brisk tail wind, a Winnipeg-St. Paul air mail plane, with Pilot A. E. Jarvis at the controls, took off at 9:30 this morning to forge the last link in the air mail chain stretching from Aklavik in the Canadian Arctic to equatorial South America.

#### WELCOME PRINCES

Jamaica Extends Enthusiastic Reception to Wales and George

KINGSTON, Jamaica, Feb. 3.—Jamaica extended one of the greatest welcomes of its history to the Prince of Wales and Prince George who arrived here at noon today on the liner Oropesa en route to South America.

#### MATHESON ASSESSOR

Economy Effected by City Council in Making Departmental Appointment

The city council last night appointed City Treasurer D. J. Matheson to the post of assessor without extra salary. Mr. Matheson succeeds in the post of assessor E. S. Allstone, city tax clerk, who last year was paid \$400 for extra duties as assessor.

#### RUSSIA TO QUIT COMMUNISM SOON?

MOSCOW, Feb. 3.—The Soviet government has just about given up the idea of converting the rest of the world to communism and prospects are that it will itself adopt industrialism. Two great schools for communism in this country have just closed.