

Canada's Worst Fire Strikes Eastern Town

As I See It
MORE PHILPOTT
IN ISRAEL

TITLE NOW TAKING
the House of Commons
gas pipelines is one
most important ever
Canada.
greater than a struggle
whether Canadian
sources are to be used
for the development
or for our big neigh-
bored States.
are important in this

the questions to be de-
termined in an open-
board manner? Or are
M.P.'s to be by-passed
and the issue to be settled
behind doors by agencies
the people have no
control?

THE ISSUE itself is
the group wants to buy
natural gas and to pipe
it via an all-Canada
to Vancouver, and
U. S. A.

er group wants to bring
pipeline across U. S. A.
stopping big cities like
en route. It frankly
already existing big
the U. S. A.

side-line would be tack-
le end of the mainline
Vancouver.
STRAIGHT dollars-and
position, designed to
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Baseball Scores

TODAY

National

Brooklyn 7, Pittsburgh 5
There were four home runs in the game.

SATURDAY

Americas

Detroit 3, Washington 6
Chicago 1, Boston 11
St. Louis 4, Philadelphia 12
Cleveland 5-4, New York 4-7

National

New York 9, Pittsburgh 3
Brooklyn 4, Chicago 5
Boston 15, Cincinnati 11
Philadelphia 11, St. Louis 7

SUNDAY

Americas

Cleveland 5, Washington 10
Detroit 8, New York 6
St. Louis 6-2, Boston 8-6
Chicago 7-2, Philadelphia 3-4

National

Brooklyn 3, Pittsburgh 2
New York 4-5, Chicago 3-2
Philadelphia 6-6, Cincinnati 0-4
Boston 0, St. Louis 15

Many Boatmen Drown In East

NEW YORK — Treacherous spring squalls caught thousands of New York and New England boatmen without warning during the sunny week-end and left about 20 dead or missing in lakes, rivers and salt water. High winds fell end of the midwest storm, reached 65 miles an hour. Winds also fanned forest fires in New England and blanketed out most private flying. Upper New York state had the worst drowning toll with 10 dead or missing.

Thousands Evacuated In Manitoba Floods

WINNIPEG — The Red River today added more than 1,000 victims to its 1950 flood score in Greater Winnipeg. Its muddy, sluggish torrent—already higher than in any year since 1826—lashed at shaky dikes in a dozen places. Hundreds of service men and civilians under military control stacked sandbags against leaking barriers. While they worked in the glare of searchlights, a hurried but orderly evacuation of 1,450 men, women and children from low-lying parts of Norwood and East Kildonan began. When all were out, the number of Southern Manitoba homeless would be 10,000 or more, about half in the Winnipeg area. The Red was still unsatisfied. United States army engineers in North Dakota said a new and still more violent attack was coming.

Slight Damage Caused by Fire Derby Won Easily By Middleground

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Middleground, chestnut ranger from the fabulous King ranch in Texas, came a-running into the stretch at Churchill Downs Saturday to out game everything that challenged him. He won the 76th Kentucky Derby with something to spare. Son of Bold Venture, he never, in early contention, proved himself a better colt than Your Host, California favorite or Hill Prince, the Virginia threat and the other 13 rivals when the chips were down. He ran the 1 1/4 miles in two minutes, one and three fifths seconds, on one fifth off the derby record set by the immortal Whirlaway in 1941. He rewarded R. J. Kleberg, Jr., owner of King ranch, with \$92,650.

Hill Prince finished second, 1 1/4 lengths back. Mr. Trouble was third with Sun Glow fourth.

LOCAL TIDES

Tuesday, May 9, 1950

High	7:11	16.8 feet
	20:40	17.1 feet
Low	1:19	10.0 feet
	13:56	6.1 feet

Flash

RAAF PLANE CRASH
SYDNEY, Australia—A Royal Australian Air Force Catalina flying boat crashed and burst into flames while attempting a forced landing on the air strip at Georgetown, North Queensland, Sunday, killing five of her crew of seven.

HOGAN WINS BRIER
WHITE SULPHUR SPRINGS, W. Va.—Ben Hogan tied the world's record for 72 holes of golf on a par 70 course with a 21 under par 193-66 for 259 to win the Greater Briar open golf tournament by 10 strokes. Host pro Sam Snead finished second in the four-day event with Norman von Nida of Sydney, Australia, third.

DAVIS HEADS MISSION
OTTAWA—Hon. T. C. Davis has been named head of Canada's mission, Allied High Commission in Bonn, Western German capital, it was announced today. Davis is the former Canadian Ambassador to Nationalist China.

BRIDGE COLLAPSES
ISTANBUL, Turkey—A bridge in Northern Anatolia collapsed yesterday, dropping a bus filled with 49 passengers into a deep ravine. Twenty-five were killed, the other 24 injured.

MINE FOUND
VANCOUVER—A mine has been reported adrift off the Queen Charlotte Islands, the first in quite a long time. Nothing was known as to the identity, or if it was from Japanese or Russian sources.

Railroad Agent Advises Go North

"American railroads are conscious of the potentialities of business in northern British Columbia and are watching the situation very closely with a view to development up to the present stage and the future business expansion," said E. C. Chapman of Vancouver, general agent for B. C. with the Chicago and Milwaukee Railroad.

Mr. Chapman arrived in the city yesterday and expects to remain here until Wednesday night. This is his first inspection trip to northern B. C. this year. He says he makes about four such visits every year. His company, Mr. Chapman stated, works very nicely with the C.N.R. Frozen fish, for instance, is loaded into C.N.R. freight cars from American vessels and is shipped to the eastern United States. From there the Chicago and Milwaukee Railroad takes over. A large consuming area, Mr. Chapman said, is Illinois, Iowa and Indiana. Much fish is transported to that territory.

From here Mr. Chapman travels as far as Red Pass Junction, near the Alberta-British Columbia border. His business interests there are all timber products.

The general agent foresees a large business turnover in this territory and exclaimed this area is ripe for investment. It isn't "Go West, young man" any more, he said, but "Go North."

Rimouski Bewildered By Disastrous Fire

RIMOUSKI, Que. (CP)—Stunned and bewildered, residents today counted their loss in one of the most disastrous fires in Canadian history.

A thin mantle of snow that moved in with cold, biting weather covered the blackened ruins of 312 homes and a dozen business, educational and religious buildings, prey to a roaring conflagration that caused monetary loss of \$20,000,000 and made 2,500 of the 15,000 population homeless. So far as could be learned, there were no deaths in the fire that raged for more than 30 hours.

The Red Cross treated scores of people for cuts and burns. Believed to have started when a power line snapped in Saturday's heavy wind, fire raced through the lumber yards of Price Brothers Lumber Company. It spread with almost unbelievable speed, whipped by wind at times reaching 80 miles an hour. The fire cut its swath through the western section of the city, licking up building after building. Thousands of dazed residents loaded their belongings on vehicles of all descriptions and fled amidst the smoke and showering cinders.

St. Joseph's hospital, a four storey brick building, and the Sisters of Charity orphanage were destroyed. Other buildings destroyed were Rimouski Seminary, the technical school, Rimouski hospital, two hotels, a theatre and nearly a score of stores, large and small.

Many homeless were taken care of by residents. Others were sheltered in tents and buildings thrown open to them.

THE WEATHER

Synopsis

The weather is sunny over most of the province today. The only cloud area is around Prince Rupert which is on the edge of a group of storms moving across southern Alaska. Clear skies are expected again tomorrow with temperatures reaching to the low sixties at Vancouver and Victoria and to the mid seventies in the southern interior.

The second storm in a week to strike the west central plains of the United States is bringing snow, rain and thunderstorms in a band from Montana through Wyoming and the Dakotas and southward into Kansas and Arkansas. This is the storm which shows signs of moving northward and dumping more rain on the flood swollen Red River and its tributaries.

Regional Forecast

North Coast Region—Overcast with occasional light rain today and tomorrow. Little change in temperature. Light winds, increasing to southerly (20) this evening. Lows tonight and highs tomorrow at Port Hardy and Prince Rupert, 40 and 55, San- spit, 40 and 50.



MAHONEY



TILSTON



FOOTE



MERRITT



SMITH

What Canada's V.C. Winners Are Doing On V.E. Day



CURRIE



TRIQUET

REMAINS IN SERVICE—Five years after the end of the war in Europe one of the eight surviving Victoria Cross winners of the Second World War still serves in the Canadian armed forces. He is Lt.-Col. John Keefer Mahoney, New Westminster, B.C., native who now is director of public relations for the Canadian Army. His Victoria Cross was won on the Melfa River in Italy.

DRUG EXECUTIVE—Maj. Fred A. Tilston, 44-year-old pharmacist, is vice-president of The Sterling Products of Canada Limited, one of North America's largest drug manufacturing firms, at Windsor, Ont., five years after the war in which he won the V.C. He joined the firm in 1929 after graduating from the Ontario College of Pharmacy and in 1939 was its national sales manager. He served as a major with the Essex Scottish and took part in the 1942 raid on Dieppe. He was awarded the Victoria Cross for bravery dur-

ing the fighting in the German Hochwald during which he lost both legs. He was presented with his V.C. by the King at Buckingham Palace and was invalided back to Canada. In 1946 he married a Vancouver girl and they have one child.

SPIRITS ADMINISTRATOR—Major John Weir Foote, Madoc-born padre who won the Victoria Cross for heroism during the bloody raid by the Canadian forces on Dieppe in 1942, is deputy commissioner of the Liquor Control Board of Ontario five years after the end of the war in Europe. Maj. Foote was chaplain of Royal Hamilton Light Infantry. He remained in the army for some time after the war resigning to contest the provincial riding of Durham in the 1948 Ontario election. Following his election to the Legislature, he was appointed to his present post on the liquor board.

FIRST V.C.—Lt. Col. Cecil C.

Merritt won Canada's first Victoria Cross of the Second World War when he rallied the South Saskatchewan Regiment, which he commanded, to plunge through a line of German pillboxes at Dieppe. He was captured and liberated in 1945. The former Progressive-Conservative M.P. for Vancouver Burrard is shown in his Vancouver law office.

V.C. AT WORK—Alvia (Smoky) Smith now shoots a camera instead of the deadly Piat gun which won him the Victoria Cross in Italy when he broke up a German detachment trying to wipe out a Canadian bridgehead on the Savio River. He is now manager of a flourishing photo studio in New Westminster, B.C. Previously he had been an insurance salesman. He is married and has two children.

PAPER COMPANY OFFICIAL—Five years after the end of the war in Europe finds Maj.

David V. Currie who won the Victoria Cross for his bravery at Falaise Gap, occupying the position of equipment superintendent for the Woodlands Division of Quebec North Shore Paper Company and the Ontario Paper Company at Bale Comeau, Que. A Moose Jaw, Sask., garage worker before the war, Maj. Currie served with the South Alberta Regiment. He left the army in 1945. He is 37 and has a 15-year-old son.

LUMBER SALESMAN—The fifth anniversary of V-E Day finds Victoria Cross winner Paul Triquet at his desk in Montreal offices of H.R. Macmillan Sales (Quebec) Limited, a lumber firm. He was captain with the Royal 22nd Regiment when he won the V.C. "for determined leadership and example" in action at Ortona, Italy, in 1943. A native of Cabano, Que., Triquet stayed in the army until the end of 1947 with rank of lieutenant-colonel. (All CP Photos)