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FERNIE'S GREAT NEED IS MONEY

URGENT APPEAL COMES FROM STRICKEN CITY

Populace Must Be Housed Be- fore Winter—Unsanitary Conditions.

Fernie, Aug. 10.—A careful analysis of the situation with regard to relief in Fernie shows that bad conditions continue and there is urgent need for further financial assistance from the outside. The money which has been generously contributed has been to relieve the pressing necessities of the moment, but the future gives cause for deep concern.

In three months' time winter will be here and by that time it will be necessary to have homes of some kind for the whole population. More than 95 per cent of the population here lost everything they possessed in the recent conflagration, and while many of these will have insurance to enable them to rebuild there are over 200 miners in addition to millhands and other members of the working population who will have absolutely no means immediately available with which to make a beginning on a new home. It will be necessary to make some provision for these at once. They must be assisted to buy clothing, bedding and other household utensils and what is most important to build a shack in which to live during cold weather.

The ready ones comprise a big proportion of homeless people and there will be widespread suffering especially among the women and children if measures are not promptly taken to house them. There is no question of the money being needed and if it is a question of how quickly it can be provided by the kind-hearted people throughout Canada.

The policy of the city council and of the committee working in conjunction with that body is well defined and there is every assurance that the contributions will be used to the best advantage. The fact that no one has suffered acutely during the past week has been due to the careful manner in which the relief has been distributed and this method will be pursued up to the end of the chapter.

Mayor Tuttle has issued an urgent appeal to the people of Canada, for further financial assistance and it is hoped that this will be a liberal response. The city is also asking the government of British Columbia for a cash grant to be devoted to the assistance of working people who have lost their homes and who must provide at least a portion of another habitation before winter comes.

The measure of assistance to be given by the Dominion government has not yet been discussed, but it is believed that it will be generous.

The real danger in the present situation lies in the sanitary conditions. There has been no rain in Fernie since the fire and a large quantity of sewage and other temporary accumulations is bound to create a state of affairs inimical to the health of the community. Every effort is being made to minimize this danger, but even the strenuous activity of the special committee of citizens, appointed for the purpose, can only delay the outbreak of a terrible epidemic unless means are provided for the installation of a better system. The sewers of the city are now of little use, of course, and while the water works have not suffered, it is almost impossible to maintain satisfactory sanitation under the present conditions. A supply of money to put the city out of the reach of an epidemic would be the greatest investment which a philanthropic public could make.

New Zealand's Sympathy.

Ottawa, Aug. 10.—The Governor-General has received the following cable from New Zealand: "Auckland, Aug. 9.—My government and the people of New Zealand desire to express deep sympathy about the sufferers from the disastrous bush fires in British Columbia."

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TURKISH AMBASSADORS. Rumored Dismissal of Diplomats at Paris and St. Petersburg.

London, Aug. 10.—The correspondent of Constantinople of the Times, says that the Turkish ambassadors at Paris and St. Petersburg have been dismissed and that the position of the ambassadors at Madrid, Berlin and Belgrade and of the consul general at Vienna are considered insecure.

EN ROUTE TO COAST.

Winnipeg, Aug. 10.—General Pole Carey and his wife, considered one of the most beautiful women in Britain, arrived here on Saturday. General Pole-Carey was one of the most suc- cessful commanding officers in South Africa. He is considered one of the most promising soldiers in Britain.

100 DEATHS IN WAKE OF TORNADO

Rome, Aug. 10.—Approximate- ly 100 people were killed on Saturday in a tornado which swept across the middle of Italy. Numerous villages were levelled among them being the city of Terni, with a population of 30,000. Molinate and Sig- natura suffered heavy damage.

SERPENT IN BOSOM OF MIKADO'S REALM

Japanese, Said to Be Spy for Russia, is Ar- rested.

Tokyo, Aug. 10.—Further news re- garding the arrest of Ichi Yama Schimmito, the alleged Russian spy, states that on July 20th he had an in- terview with Mr. Saeguchi, the inter- preter of the Russian embassy in Tokyo and told the latter that he would like to sell to the embassy a number of sketches representing the inside of the Japanese naval stations at a cost of five million yen, asking his service as an interpreter for the purpose. Furthermore he promised the interpreter to give one fourth of that sum as commission, instead of communicating the matter to the Rus- sian embassy. Interpreter Saeguchi at once reported this extraordinary case to the Tokio gendarmery headquarters with the result that the alleged traitor was subsequently arrested at the Yamada Kan hotel. The spy is now detained in Tokio prison pending trial. It is stated, the obtained sketches from naval officers of high rank.

BLOWN-OUT BY GALE.

Nova Scotia Schooners Torn From Their Moorings Are Still Missing.

Ottawa, August 10.—The department of marine has been advised that during a recent storm which swept the eastern coast of Nova Scotia two fishing schooners broke from their moorings at St. Paul's island and were carried out to sea by the gale. The customs cruiser, Gladiator, was at once ordered to proceed from North Sydney in search of the vessels, but up to the present time no report has been received as to the result of the cruise. St. Paul's is a rocky island about two miles off the most northerly point of Cape Breton.

HUNTING NEGRO FIEND.

Salem, N. J., Aug. 10.—Armed posse, under the direction of Sheriff Allen, are searching Salem and adjoining counties for a negro who on Saturday committed a brutal assault on Stella Lawrence, the 13-year-old daughter of a farmer of War- renton township. Stella left her home to place a letter in a rural delivery mail box at the end of a lane on her father's farm, probably a quarter of a mile from her home, she was seized and dragged her into an adjoining corn field. The girl was later unharmed. She revived and told of the terrible treatment she received at the hands of the negro of whom she gave a meagre description.

CHANNEL SWIMMER IS NEARLY DROWNED

Scottish Champion Grows Ex- hausted Within Three Miles of France.

Dover, Aug. 10.—In an attempt to swim the English channel, James Mearns, the Scottish champion, nearly lost his life. Leaving the English coast on Saturday night he was within three miles of France, after being in the water fourteen hours. Although advised to give up the effort, Mearns was per- sistent and labored until he became so exhausted that one of his attendants aboard a tug had to jump in the water to assist him. Mearns, however, was until he could be rescued.

KILLS TWO NEGROES.

Plantation Boss Claims Shooting Was Done in Self Defence.

Charleston, Miss., Aug. 10.—Charles Her- ring, manager of the Bayou Grove planta- tion, shot and killed two negroes and fatally wounded another on the Allen plantation in Bolivar county yesterday afternoon. The shooting is claimed to have been done in self defence. Herring gave a bond for his appearance in court and was re- leased in the robberies.

SCORES BURIED IN FACTORY FALL

HURRICANE RAZES STRUCTURES IN HUNGARY

Szegedin Visited by Heavy Cloudburst—Seventy Per- sons Missing.

Budapest, Aug. 10.—One hundred workmen were buried alive on Sat- urday evening in the ruins of a large factory building which collapsed at Szegedin, Hungary, during a tremen- dous hurricane, according to advices received here. Seventy persons are still missing and four bodies and fourteen injured persons have been taken from the ruins.

A cloudburst accompanied the hurri- cane, caused the most damage. Physi- cians have been hurried to the scene. The boiler house and drying room of the wrecked factory were almost com- pletely thrown down, but their col- lapse makes it possible, it is be- lieved, that many unfortunates have succeeded in making their escape.

In addition to the fourteen severely injured, taken from the ruins, twelve slightly hurt have been taken out. Szegedin has a population of 102,000, and is about 125 miles west of Budapest on the Tizza river.

CORONATION OF POPE PIUS.

Rome, Aug. 10.—The fifth anniversary of the coronation of Pope Pius was especially celebrated at the Vatican yesterday. The great function oc- curred in the Sistine Chapel in the presence of the pontiff of the sacred college, the papal court, archbishops, bishops, generals of religious orders, and members of the diplomatic corps, the Roman aristocracy and the Knights of Malta. The mass was celebrated by Cardinal Merry Del Val and the re- sponses were sung by the famous Si- sine choir, conducted by Father Perosi, Cardinal Gibbons, the oldest cardinal priest, assisted Cardinal Merry Del Val and offered incense to the Pope.

SINN FEIN MOVEMENT.

United States Body Organizes—Envoys Coming From Ireland.

Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 10.—A conference of the Sinn Fein branches in the United States was held here on Saturday and presided over by Daniel E. Cohalan, of New York. Delegates from many States were present. A constitution was adopted and the following officers of a grand council were elected:

President, Robert Temple, of New York; Vice-President, Peter C. York, of Oakland; Secretary, Charles Noon, of New York; Treasurer, J. McGarrity of Philadelphia.

Sinn Fein envoys from Ireland are coming to tour the United States im- mediately after the presidential elec- tions to push the movement in this country.

NINE DIE IN COLLISION.

German Passenger Train Runs Into Empty Cars With Fatal Results.

Eckenforde, Germany, Aug. 10.—Nine persons were killed and many injured this morning in a collision between a passenger train and a train of empty cars on the branch line running between Flensburg and Kiel. The dead and in- jured were residents of towns along the line.

OGILVIE REPORT ON CROP PROSPECTS

Weather Considered Favorable —Amount of Cutting In- creasing Daily.

Winnipeg, Aug. 10.—The Ogilvie Flour Mills company gave the following re- view of the progress of the crop dur- ing the past week.

The weather has been moderate and quite favorable on the whole. Good showers have fallen in districts where they have materially assisted in ill- ling out the grain. Cutting of wheat has been going on all last week in differ- ent localities, particularly in the south- west. The amount of cutting is increas- ing daily and towards the end of this week it should be general. Yields in the fall wheat districts in southern Alberta are running as high as 45 bushels per acre, are reported. From the spring wheat districts reports are generally of a fa- vorable character, and still indicate a crop of very satisfactory quantity and good milling quality.

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