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The Weather Gales: Colder

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ONE CENT In Greater Saint John.

TWO CENTS Elsewhere

A. H. LINDSAY KILLED AT MONCTON FIRE

SAINT JOHN MAN DIES AS TWO THEATRES BURN

Victim of Fatality Received Wounds In Head and Broken Arm By Falling Bricks While Assisting In Fighting Blaze

WAS ONCE NEWSPAPER MAN HERE

Both Amusement Houses Are Practically Total Loss—Only Portions of Capitol and Express Standing—Other Firemen Have Narrow Escapes

MONCTON, March 26.—A. H. (Sandy) Lindsay, formerly of Saint John, advertising agent of the Canadian National Railways and a member of the Moncton Fire Department, was fatally injured this morning in a disastrous fire which wrecked the Capitol and Express Theatres in Main street, with a loss which is estimated at between \$150,000 and \$200,000.

Mr. Lindsay died from a compound fracture of skull. The fire was discovered at 8:20 by Police Officer Tritts and had then got a complete hold of the central part of the two structures which are practically joined together, except for a fire wall.

GENERAL ALARM He pulled in an alarm from Box 6 but on the arrival of the detachment of the fire department saw that the blaze was of such alarming proportions that they could not handle it, and a general alarm at all the city departments was sent in.

ROOF COLLAPSES At 6:15 part of the roof of the Capitol fell in and part of the brick wall crashed outwards and through the roof of an entrance hallway leading into the Express theatre, where four firemen and Mr. Lindsay were standing in order to get at the flames from that angle.

ANOTHER ALARM During the height of the theatre fire at 8:30 a. m., another alarm from box 28 called the department to East Queen street for a slight blaze, caused by defective wiring in a house occupied by Mr. Casey. The damage was slight.

SAYS LOSS \$200,000 Fred W. Winter of the theatrical firm of Winter and Corrie, chief shareholders in the corporation owning the destroyed Capitol and Express theatres, was in Fredericton when news of the fire reached him. By long distance telephone he learned the story and took the 8:40 C. N. R. train across the country to his home.

SPECTACULAR BLAZE The blaze then became very spectacular, tongues of flame rising many feet into the air, followed by dense volumes of swirling black smoke of the darkened the blue of the early morning sky.

DEBATE SAVES LIFE An incident that might have been responsible for the loss of more lives was averted early in the Capitol fire by an argument between members of the fire department as to running a ladder against the northeast wall of the building. During the fifteen minute debate which ensued, the wall fell in, which undoubtedly would have been fatal to some had the ladder been stretched.

FIREMAN ESCAPES Henry White, one of the firemen who was among the number when Mr. Lindsay sustained his fatal injuries, escaped with an injury to the thumb. Another fireman had his helmet

N. B. Government Members Resigned To New Tax Plans

Killed In Moncton

A. H. LINDSAY, Formerly of Saint John, advertising agent of the C. N. R., and member of the Moncton Salvage Corps, who was fatally injured when the Express and Capitol Theatres were gutted by fire in Moncton today.

DEATH OF A. H. LINDSAY SHOCK TO SAINT JOHN

Was Prominent Here In Newspaper Life, Music and Salvage Corps

The citizens of Saint John were deeply shocked this morning at the news of the death of Alexander H. Lindsay, who was fatally injured while helping to fight the theatre fire in Moncton.

OWNERS OF THEATRES The theatres are owned by the Eastern Amusement Company, Limited, of Messrs. A. H. Corrie and F. W. Winter are managing directors. Seen by a Times-Star representative this morning, Mr. Winter placed the loss at between \$150,000 and \$200,000 and that it was not fully covered by insurance.

NEWSPAPER REPORTER After leaving school he was employed for a time with Manchester Robertson Allison and later with the Imperial Oil Co. His next venture was in the newspaper world as a reporter on the staff of the Saint John Globe. In this employment he seemed to have found his success won him appointment to the publicity department of the Intercolonial, now of the Canadian National Railways.

PROMINENT IN MUSIC Mr. Lindsay was the possessor of a tenor voice of rich quality and took keen interest in musical affairs. During his residence here he was at various times a member of St. Andrew's and Stone church choirs, and for two years was the leader of the Main street Baptist choir. He was always ready to respond to the call to take part in operas produced by local talent and in old-time minstrel performances.

IN SALVAGE CORPS A man with a keen sense of community responsibility he became one of the charter members of No. 1 Salvage Corps when it was organized and was an active member up to the time he left the city. He served for many years as secretary and later as captain of the corps. When he moved to Moncton he joined the Salvage Corps of that city and met his death while carrying out his duties as a member of that organization.

HIS FAMILY Mr. Lindsay married Emily Cortland Vail, a daughter of the late Hon.

CLOSE SEASON ON BEAR IN N. B. IS SUGGESTED

Starts Story - Telling Contest At Committee Meeting

GAGNON HEARD

Chief Game Warden Condemns Present Reserves In Westmorland County

By Staff Correspondent FREDERICTON, N. B., March 26.—Bear stories by the various members enlivened proceedings at the Public Accounts Committee session this morning when L. A. Gagnon, chief game warden, was before the committee. The talkist arose when a suggestion was made that there should be a close season on bears. Practically all the members had a bear story of one shape or another until Chairman B. Frank Smith recalled the warden's discussion to its original trail. Not long after, however, Mr. Smith related a rather thrilling encounter of his youth when he awoke one night in a lumber camp to find a big bear alongside his bunk.

LAWYERS CLASH The morning session was enlivened by a sensational but somewhat amusing episode when Dr. Taylor's cross-examination of the C. N. R. witnesses, particularly at times when the defence counsel questioned as to whether the action of the railway authorities in the present instance was occasioned by the attitude of the Telegraph-Journal.

STATION MASTER TESTIFIES Claude Bawd, station master at Moncton, called by the prosecution, said he was up to March 20, received no instructions from Superintendent Rippey to allow anyone to sell papers on the station platform.

NEVER OBJECTED He knew newboys were there selling each afternoon, but didn't know when they were working for and had no objection to the Transcript or Times-Star or any other newspaper as long as he knew the Times-Star boy had as much right to sell on March 20th as the Transcript boy.

CONTRACT REFERRED TO Dr. Taylor—"Do you know the terms of the contract your company has with the Canadian Railway News Company?"

DEFENCE STARTS Kenneth D. Clifford took the stand for the defence. He said he was a member of the staff of the Telegraph-Journal and Times-Star. He had been in Moncton about a month. On March 20, he was in the city.

INSPECTOR DUNPHY The next witness was John J. Dunphy, C. N. R. police inspector. He City.

Meanest Man In World Is Found In Saint John

Persuades 3-Year-Old Kiddle To Part With \$1 Mouth Organ For 5 Cents

THE meanest man in the world, contrary to all newspaper reports, is not in Chicago, or South Bend, or Oklahoma. He is right here in Saint John, and only this week he established, without doubt, his claim for the crown.

A little three-year-old kiddle, whose mother is in the Saint John Infirmary, was presented a nice mouth organ by his dad, who paid \$1 for the instrument. Although he is hardly able to talk, the youngster was compensated somewhat for the absence of his mother by the enjoyment he got from this gift of his father.

YESTERDAY came a big, husky owner of a coal cart, who, dismounting from his wagon, inveigled the child into parting with the mouth organ, by means of a shining five-cent piece, and went on his way as though he had put over a shrewd business deal.

Today the kiddle misses his one-piece band, which no longer takes his mind off the big world, represented by the absent mother. And somewhere about town there is a man who thoughtlessly draws music from an instrument which probably he appraises his conscience with the assurance, "Well, didn't I buy it?"

GREAT DEBATING STUFF. Such material, however, is great debating stuff for the opposition and they are expected to make the most of the situation. Hon. J. E. Heward, former minister without portfolio, speaks this afternoon in the opening of the verbal battle that is expected to last for two weeks. It is learned he will compliment Hon. Mr. Leger on his able presentation of a rather gloomy budget.

It is expected to say, however, that the picture is not half so bad as painted, and he is expected to point out that the Veniot government, from this he is expected to go on and declare that had the Veniot government been returned to power, they would have secured more revenue without resorting to direct taxation. It is learned he will point out more revenue could be derived from the lumber industry of the province.

DYSHART ILL A. A. Dyshart, opposition member for Kilmory, is expected to speak first, but he left for his home last night owing to illness. Next week Hon. Dr. P. J. Veniot, leader of the opposition, will speak. While his speech will not be as lengthy as the one he made on the "throne speech debate, it is known he will deal exhaustively with the financial situation and devote some time to the Masquash development.

Probably the main aftermath of the direct tax announcement was the shower of congratulations bestowed by political foes and friends alike on Hon. Mr. Leger on his budget speech in the French-Canadian member for Westmorland.

WINNIPEG, Man., March 26.—Hon. T. C. Norris has resigned as leader of the Liberal party in the province at a conference of the Manitoba Liberal Association. Mr. Norris, who had been an outstanding figure in the public service of Manitoba for a quarter of a century, seven years of which he was Premier, gave falling health as the reason for his retirement. The resignation will not go into effect until the annual provincial convention of the party next fall.

STERLING EXCHANGE NEW YORK, March 26.—Sterling exchange irregular, Great Britain 48 1/2; France, 24 1/2; Italy, 40 1/2; Germany, 22.80. Canadian dollars one quarter of one per cent.

MARTIME—Strong northeast to north winds or gales tonight and Saturday, probably more or rain in Nova Scotia, becoming somewhat colder Saturday.

NEW ENGLAND—Rain this afternoon and tonight, Saturday, fair and colder, strong north and northwest winds.

Temperatures TORONTO, March 26.— Highest during 8 a.m. Yesterday night

Victoria ... 44 60 22
Calgary ... 24 32 22
Edmonton ... 22 38 20
Winnipeg ... 6 20 4
Toronto ... 28 41 24
Montreal ... 22 38 22
Saint John ... 24 30 20
Halifax ... 40 48 26
New York ... 42 66 40

Lady Diana Manners Sued For Face Lifting Job By Surgeon

British United Press. CHICAGO, March 26.—Lady Diana Manners and her mother Evelyn, Duchess of Rutland, were served with summons Thursday in the suit of a plastic surgeon for face lifting. The bills were \$1,000 for Lady Diana and \$1,600 for the Duchess.

The plaintiff was Dr. Henry J. Schreiner, who has many times figured not so good in print. Lady Diana has been in the cast of "The Miracle" and is moving on to Kansas City.

"I will recommend you to the Queen of Roumania," Lady Diana told him, according to Dr. Schreiner. The surgeon alleges that he gave Lady Diana a fine angle facial lift with rejuvenation of the neck and laughing lines and eyes, removing puffiness from beneath the chin. The Duchess was given a "complete facial lift," according to the bill "which made her look years younger."

As soon as they had consulted a lawyer, Lady Diana and the Duchess departed for Kansas City.

THE WEATHER SYNOPSIS—Pressure is low and falling on the south Atlantic coast and quite high over the Western and Northern parts of the continent. Light snow or rain occurred yesterday in many sections of Quebec and the Maritime Provinces, while in the west the weather has been fair and moderately cold.

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