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QUARTERS R SUMMER NATURE AND RNSHINGS

FIVE MEN PERISH IN FOREST FIRE

Suffocated When They Seek Refuge in Tunnel of Lucky Jim Mine, Near Kaslo—Cause of Self-Sacrifice

FLAMES RAGING AT MANY POINTS

Mine Buildings and Much Valuable Timber Destroyed—Arrowhead Lumber Co., Meets With Heavy Loss

NELSON, July 15.—Word was received in Nelson last night of the first fatality in connection with the forest fire now raging in the Arrowhead section. At the Lucky Jim mine, near Kaslo, on Saturday afternoon five men perished, being smothered in one of the mine tunnels, where they retreated to escape the fire which swept the mountain side. Those dead are: Colonel Pearson, H. A. Chesley, formerly of Nelson; Mine Foreman Norman Dave Peterson, miner, and Edward Lucas, miner. The bodies of the first four have been recovered, and that of Lucas is still in the mine workings.

Frank Pinchney, step-son of Supt. Backen, rescued several of those who sought the mine tunnels to escape the flames. Mr. Pinchney, ex-manager of the bank of Montreal, Spokane, had a narrow escape.

Abandoning his own safety, to look after that of others, Forman Charles Norman of the Lucky Jim mine, Kaslo lost his life. A party of leading miners including Messrs. Finucane and Miller and Colonel Davidson, from Spokane, and Webster, Loper and Proctor of Nelson, on coming out of tunnel 5 noticed fire rapidly approaching. They went to Whitewater and assisted to get the women and children away. Norman led the men to the back of the tunnel No. 4. Not being room there for several went to another part of the tunnel where smoke in through the ventilating chambers, suffocating Colonel Pearson and H. A. Chesley. Dave Peterson was found suffocated at another point.

Meanwhile Norman went to look for Ted Lucas who is still missing. He was cut off by the flames and his body was found at the entrance of the tunnel.

The old buildings at the Lucky Jim were destroyed. New buildings, just begun will be rushed to completion. The Rambler-Cariboo buildings were burned, except the mill and part of the compressor plant.

Nelson waited until yesterday morning to smoke two large bush fires started by lightning early Sunday morning to the south and west of the city, reports of new fires continue to come in hourly. One of these about 10 miles south of Kaslo, on the Great Northern line, 250 men were asked for. It went out this morning and 50 more this afternoon.

At Arrow Park on Arrow Lake another big area is burning and a good sized force is at work there. No further loss of life has occurred in the district in addition to the five men near Kaslo reported this morning.

A furious gale yesterday afternoon has extended the fire area greatly and made fire-fighting a very difficult matter. Many small fires are reported at separate points, but so far these have been fairly well kept in check. The general situation is serious.

The foreman in charge of the force of men fighting a fire on Granite road, three miles west of the city, reported that the fire was under control. An area of 300 acres below the road has been burned over. Mr. Teetzel has received a report from Castlegar stating that fifty men are fighting a disastrous bush fire there. The fire at Taghann, in the vicinity of Lambert's mill, is still in progress.

The atmosphere is heavy and hazy with smoke, and at night the acrid smell of burning wood is very strong. Captain Allen Lean, who returned from a trip to the Arrowhead section, states that there were numerous small bush fires to be seen on the trip down the lake. Very serious bush fires at Kaslo and at Homer Lake are still burning.

The bush fires to the south of Moyle developed a serious aspect Friday evening. Wind would have carried the total devastation of the substantial mining town. Two distinct fires are raging. The entire forest between a point two miles south of Moyle, and a point six miles south is a seething mass of flames. Some 200 men were fighting the conflagration. All the employees of the afternoon shift at the St. Eugene mine were liberated for the government road construction gang were also members of the fire-fighting army. So intense was the heat from the flames that it was impossible to get within a quarter of a mile of the fire. The fire fighting was therefore chiefly confined to the clearing of the trail of last year's fire, which lies between the present fire and the town.

A bush fire, which had its origin from a spark from a locomotive south of Aldridge, about two and a half miles from Moyle, spread so rapidly as to endanger the lives of at least one family who reside in close proximity to the point at which the bush became ignited. Within a comparatively short time after it started the conflagration had rendered Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Weir and family homeless. Had destroyed their buildings and stables, and provided a crematory for about 100 chickens and four pigs. The fire, which continues to give much alarm to residents, is still travelling east along the south side of Bridge Creek. The Weir's loss is estimated at \$600 and valuable timber is now being destroyed.

That forest fires have wrought immense damage to the lumber industry is shown by the Arrowhead section. The information brought by W. M. Boyd, proprietor of the Halcyon Hot Springs. Mr. Boyd came in Thursday evening and before he had been received word that two million feet of logs at Galena, B.C., a few miles north of there, had been destroyed, as well as the camp and other property of the Arrowhead Lumber company, which is also the owners of the

logs that were burned. The company's loss will be \$1,000,000 at least. While this is the largest loss sustained there are other fires in different sections, particularly around Burton, so that the total loss will be very heavy, especially if it rain does not come soon.

All the women and children from Sandon were brought down to New Denver this afternoon as a precautionary measure. Sandon was safe up to 7 p. m.

Tonight the Great Northern railway sent out a party of about 100 by special train to protect the line between here and Northport, the big fire at Hall Siding causing the company much anxiety. One big fire back of Toad Mountain, west of Nelson, that burned furiously yesterday has gone down tonight, but the glare is still visible from the city. Many exaggerated stories are going the rounds here, but upon being sifted are found to be incorrect. Still the situation is unquestionably serious.

Five Men Killed by Blast.

NAZARETH, Pa., July 15.—Five men all foreigners, known by numbers, were killed this afternoon in the quarry of the Nazareth Portland Cement company by the premature explosion of a charge of dynamite. This is the same quarry in which seven men were killed in a similar manner a few weeks ago.

Earl Grey to Have Fast Trip

OTTAWA, July 15.—Not only will Earl Grey be the first Governor General of Canada to make the rugged overland trip across the country to Hudson Bay, but if the plans which are now being made at the mounted police department do not miscarry, he will probably achieve the distinction of making the trip in record time. Earl Grey will leave here on August 2, and is timed to arrive in Fort Churchill on August 15. The entire distance to be covered is about 2,400 miles, of which about 600 miles will be made by canoe and portage, the first stretch of 1,644 miles being covered by rail.

STRIKE AVERTED ON PENNSYLVANIA

Big Railway Company Comes to An Understanding With Trainmen and Conductors Many Men Involved

PHILADELPHIA, July 15.—General Manager Meyers, of the Pennsylvania railroad and the committee representing the 5,000 trainmen and conductors employed on the road, agreed on a basis for the settlement of the wages controversy. Each side claims to have gained all it had been contending for in the negotiations which have been in progress for the past six months, and which culminated last week in the strike vote by the employees.

The proposal made today by the railway officials and accepted by the men includes a minimum of ten hours a week in the New York Central award. On certain runs where the company's present rate is higher the rate will not be disturbed.

The classification of these exceptional runs and the question of overtime were left to be decided at conference between the various members of the committees and the division superintendents of the lines which they represent.

It was further agreed that the men would be guaranteed 26 days' work a month.

RECOGNITION OF CANADIAN SCHOOL

Musketry Certificates to Be Accepted by Army Council—Record-Number of Entries for D. R. A.

OTTAWA, July 15.—The militia orders today announce that the army council has decided that a certificate obtained at the Dominion Rifle school of musketry will in future be accepted as equivalent to a qualification at the British school of musketry or at one of the schools of musketry in India.

From present indications the number of entries at the Dominion Rifle Association's meet here will be over 700, and will exceed all previous records. There were 605 last year, compared with 461 in 1908, and there is every indication that the increase will be maintained. Last year there was a surprise when there were 27 entries from the Manitoba Rifle Association, but the secretary of that association has written the secretary of the D. R. A. saying there will be forty this year. It is also known that the Toronto entry list will be large.

In 1909 for the first time on record Saskatchewan sent a team, and every province in Canada was represented. The entries in the various cadet corps competitions will be large, and it is expected they will be here from Ottawa, Toronto, Dundas, Yarmouth, Prince Edward Island and other places.

Killed by an Auto WINNIPEG, July 15.—A Canadian Northern telegraph messenger, named Adam Similovitch, while riding his wheel on Water street this afternoon, was run into by an auto and killed instantly.

PASSENGER MAY BE DR. CRIPPEN

Man Tallying With Description of Alleged London Wife Murderer Lands At Montreal From White Star Liner

COMPANION THOUGHT TO BE MISS LENEVE

London Authorities Unable to Identify Body As That of Crippen's Wife—Judgment of Coroner

MONTREAL, July 15.—A passenger tallying with the description of Dr. Hawley Crippen sent out by the London police, who wanted for the alleged murder of his wife, known on the stage as Belle Elmore, was on the White Star liner Megantic, which arrived at Montreal yesterday from Liverpool. The Megantic left Liverpool on July 23, the day on which Dr. Crippen is supposed to have left England. On arrival here the passenger in question, accompanied by a woman, took a cab and has not been seen since. He was on the passenger list under an assumed name.

The ship's officers say there was no police examination at Father Point, so that if Dr. Crippen was on board he has passed through the ports unnoticed. The woman accompanying Crippen is thought to be Ethel Leneve, Crippen's stenographer.

No Legal Proof

LONDON, July 15.—The murder mystery of Islington became deeper today, following the preliminary hearing by the coroner, when Dr. Marshall, the police surgeon, stated that there was no legal evidence to show that the body was that of a woman, much less that of Mrs. Crippen.

The strongest link in the chain of suspicion attaching Crippen's name to the mystery is the disappearance of Mrs. Crippen, the alleged flight of Dr. Crippen with Miss Leneve, his typist, and the complete failure of the police to offer any other solution than that of wife murder.

The coroner heard the testimony of police officials today, and then adjourned the inquest for one month. In the interim Scotland Yard will endeavor to establish beyond doubt that Mrs. Crippen is dead.

Dr. Marshall's testimony was the most sensational disclosure yet made by the authorities in connection with the mystery.

Inspector of Police Dow, called by the coroner, testified that he interviewed Crippen after Mrs. Crippen's disappearance and before the discovery of the body. Crippen, according to the inspector, said: "My wife threatened to elope with another man. I suppose she has done so."

LUMBER MILL BURNED

Fifty Thousand Dollars Loss Caused by Destruction of H. Heape Plant at Ruskin.

NEW WESTMINSTER, July 15.—E. H. Heape's lumber mill at Ruskin was destroyed by fire about 2 o'clock Sunday morning. The plant was totally reduced to ashes, and also a large quantity of lumber held for shipment this week.

The hotel and store and the dry kilns were saved only by the good work of the employees. The loss will be in the neighborhood of \$50,000. It is likely that the mill will be rebuilt.

PREMIER AT BRANDON

Address Presented by Municipality and Citizens—Many Listen to Speeches.

BRANDON, Man., July 15.—Sir Wilfrid Laurier had a great reception here this morning. Hundreds of people turned out to meet him. The Premier was greeted with a civic reception at the city hall, and at this function an address prepared by Mayor Adolph and President Wilson, of the Board of Trade, was presented to Sir Wilfrid. In the afternoon a large crowd from the city and the surrounding country gathered at the Brandon school of musketry for a large meeting in the Auditorium.

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