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MARITIME EXPRESS RUNS INTO FREIGHT TRAIN; TWO MAIL CLERKS ARE KILLED

Passes Open Switch Above Campbellton and Hits Standing Freight

Quebec Men Meet Death; Seven People Injured; Accident About Quarter to Three O'Clock This Morning

(Special to Times) Campbellton, N. B., Jan. 17.—One of the worst accidents in recent years took place at Flatlands about nine miles west of Campbellton at an early hour this morning, when No. 4 Maritime Express ran into an open switch and collided with a standing freight train.

Quebec, Jan. 17.—The wrecked train was the Maritime Express that left Lévis yesterday afternoon at 2:40 for Halifax. The train was in charge of Conductor A. Cairns.

NAMES OF KILLED AND INJURED.

Moncton, Jan. 17.—About 2:45 a.m. at Flatlands, N. B., just over the Quebec frontier and a few miles west of Campbellton the Maritime Express which left Montreal yesterday ran into an open switch. A freight special was standing on the siding. The collision was head on, the mail car crushed and three cars of the express derailed.

BRINGS HOME BRIDE AND A COMMISSION

Lieut. A. E. Ingram of the 26th Also Won Military Medal—Went Overseas as a Private

Among the officers who arrived on the Metagama yesterday was Lieut. A. E. Ingram, son of Mrs. W. L. Ingram of the Loch Lomond road. He left St. John as a private in the ranks of the famous 26th, but soon after arriving in France began to win recognition and was promoted to be a sergeant. For thirteen months he held three stripes and then was again promoted to be quarter-master sergeant. He was wounded three times, first on October 18, 1916, during the memorable crater fight on September 28, 1917, in the retaking of Regina trench at the Somme, and on January 17, 1918, during a raid on enemy trenches.

FOR LARGER SALARIES FOR BAPTIST PASTORS

Toronto, Jan. 17.—A determination to take immediate action in raising the salaries of home missionaries was displayed at yesterday afternoon's session of the Baptist annual convention here. The convention adopted a resolution of the finance committee suggesting immediate action in the raising of the salaries of pastors to \$1,000 with house and means of transportation.

WONDERS OF THE RADIO TELEPHONE

Washington, Jan. 17.—Use of the radio telephone for two way conversation between a person using a line telephone and an aviator in flight was officially demonstrated yesterday when Major-General Kelly, director of military aeronautics, seated before a desk telephone in his office in the war department, and Lieutenant Lucas in an airplane flying over Bolling Field, on the outskirts of the city, talked with each other. The radio telephone for one way conversation in the giving of orders has been used by the army and navy to some extent for more than a year.

AGREEMENT FOR AN EXTENSION OF THE ARMISTICE

Amsterdam, Jan. 17.—The armistice between the Allies and Germany has been extended. The agreement was signed by Matthias Erzberger at Tressau last Wednesday, according to a Berlin despatch received here.



Isn't That Going to Make it a Bit Hard for the Director?

HOLD UP DECISION FOR SECRECY AT PEACE CONFERENCE

Paris, Jan. 17.—(By the Associated Press)—At the instigation of President Wilson the supreme inter-allied council decided yesterday to hold in abeyance the proposed rule for virtual secrecy regarding its deliberations, beyond information given in official statements. It was also decided to request resignation of the British, American and Italian press to present some plan for supporting the meeting.

CONDENSED NEWS

Vladivostok reports 10,000 Japanese reservists to return home by the end of January. The knows dead in the Boston explosion of Wednesday now number twelve.

SIR WILLIAM PETERSON CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED

Montreal, Jan. 16.—The report on Sir William Peterson was rather more satisfactory tonight. It was to the effect that he had rested quietly all day and that his general condition had much improved.

FORMER EMPEROR OF AUSTRIA ILL

London, Jan. 16.—Former Emperor Charles of Austria has been ill for the past fortnight, having suffered a relapse after partially recovering from an attack of influenza, according to a German wireless message.

HOSPITAL SHIP ON WAY TO HALIFAX

Ottawa, Jan. 16.—The ambulance transport Essequibo, with 870 Canadian invalided soldiers on board, left Liverpool for Halifax on Jan. 14.

DEATH OF WALTER A. LOW

Walter A. Low, of 127 Queen street, West St. John, died this morning as the result of injuries sustained on the ferry boat about four months ago, when the ferry crashed into piling, a piece of one striking Mr. Low in the side. Mr. Low was forty-eight years old and leaves besides his wife, three sisters and two brothers. The brothers are William Low of Eastport and Charles of West St. John.

WE WANT HIM



THE POSSE

OLYMPIC BOARD; 5,000

Giant Liner Docked At Halifax This Morning With Troops

PART OF VOYAGE STORMY

Occupied More Than Six Days—New Brunswickers Third Body to Land—Canadian Army Maintaining Its High Character

(Special to The Times.)

Halifax, Jan. 17.—With 157 officers, 201 cadets, 6,970 other ranks and thirty-six civilians—the largest number of returned soldiers ever brought back to Canada on board one ship—the Olympic arrived here before noon today after a voyage of more than six days from Southampton.

Although her arrival here this morning was not amid the clamor of her first trip since the armistice was signed, Halifax gave her a rousing welcome on her twentieth time to enter this harbor. A little before 9 o'clock she was sighted by Campersdown coming along at a good rate. Slowly she came up the harbor, while factory whistles, church bells and steamers greeted the many thousands crowded on wharves and reefs to welcome the 8,000 Canadian heroes. Gracefully she swung into her berth on the south side of Pier 2.

In quick time the gangway was down and military and railway officials proceeded on board. Embarkation was commenced soon after and it is likely that the officials will equal if not better the record made a month ago when more than 4,000 soldiers were dispatched in special trains to Quebec.

Of the total number of troops on board about 2,400 will have their documents made out here. They will include the men for military districts 1, 2, 4, 6 and 7. The balance, about 3,000, will be forwarded to Quebec for documentation and thence to their homes.

The first men to come down the gangway were those for Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. They were taken to the armories. They were followed by the men for New Brunswick, and on the first three special trains to leave Pier 2. The men for the Toronto district were taken to the Clearing Depot, and passengers on the next three trains for Quebec. The remainder, including General and Major-General Ed. Elliott of the ordnance department, and Hon. Captain J. F. B. Livesey, Canadian Press war correspondent. All the officers speak enthusiastically of the wonderful spirit of the men returning on the Olympic. They were immensely pleased with the cordial reception accorded them at Halifax, more especially as because they saw the sun today for the first time since leaving England, the trip having been a stormy one with very thick weather encountered on the Newfoundland banks. All the troops enthused over the treatment given them during the voyage. The accommodations for the men were excellent, and they were delighted that they had provided for them in either England or France.

There is no Bolshevism among the Canadian army, declared an officer who has had exceptional opportunities of studying the dominion overseas troops. "Discipline today is as good as it was early in November previous to the signing of the armistice. The Canadian army in Germany is maintaining the record it made for itself on the battlefields of France and Flanders."

Among the civilians on the Olympic were the Hon. Charles Stewart, Minister of the Interior, and his wife, Mrs. Stewart, and his son, G. M. Bosworth, of the C. P. O. S., and Sir P. Daniels.

DOWNING STREET AND THE SINN FEIN

London, Jan. 17.—The British government is not expected to interfere with meetings of the Sinn Fein parliament so long as it keeps to the bounds permitted debating societies and only passes its resolutions in a Dublin despatch to the Daily Mail. If it exceeds these limits, however, the despatch adds, and does anything interfering with liberty or the rights of individuals, the government will be compelled to take action. Revolvers and seven hundred rounds of ammunition belonging to Sinn Feiners have been seized in London, according to the Mail. Two arrests have been made.

BURIED TODAY

The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Chessman took place this afternoon from her late residence, Prospect street, Fairville. Services were conducted by Rev. P. Dunham and interment was made in the Good Shepherd cemetery.

The funeral of John A. Foster took place this afternoon from his late residence, Victoria street. Services were conducted by Rev. I. W. Williamson and interment was made in Cedar Hill.

Liebknecht And Woman Killed

Former Shot In Trying to Escape From Soldiers

Rosa Luxemburg Beaten Into Insensibility by Mob and Then Shot Through Head in Berlin Street

Berlin, Jan. 17.—(By the Associated Press)—Dr. Karl Liebknecht and Rosa Luxemburg were killed.

Berlin, Jan. 16.—(By the Associated Press)—When it became known yesterday that Dr. Liebknecht and Rosa Luxemburg were at the Hotel Eden a crowd stormed the hotel lobby to lay hands on them. Both were spirited to a side entrance when the mob forestalled the attempt of the troops to save Franklin Luxemburg. She was beaten into insensibility and then thrown into an automobile by the crowd, which intended to take her to prison.

A few blocks down the street the machine was halted by a second mob and, when the presence of Franklin Luxemburg became known a man jumped on the running board of the car and shot her through the head. The body was dragged from the automobile and carried off. It is supposed that it was thrown into the canal.

In the meantime Liebknecht was hurried into another automobile by officers and troops and the car was headed for the Moabit prison. The machine was halted by a punctured tire. Liebknecht was asked to get out by the officers, who intended to haul another automobile and continue toward the prison. While waiting, Dr. Liebknecht made an attempt to escape and was shot dead by soldiers.

Amsterdam, Jan. 17.—Officers commanding the troops escorting Dr. Liebknecht and Rosa Luxemburg when those two radical leaders were killed have been provisionally arrested, according to a Berlin despatch received here, which adds that all persons implicated in the incident will be severely punished.

MINE SINKS FRENCH STEAMER; 500 GO DOWN TO DEATH

Greeks, Serbians and Russians Drowned in Messina Straits

Rome, Jan. 17.—The French steamer Chaguel has struck a floating mine in the Straits of Messina, sinking in a few minutes. Five hundred passengers, mostly Greeks, Serbians and Russians, have been drowned. Another steamer saved 150 of those on board.

Cardiff, Jan. 17.—The American steamer Lake Erie, outward bound, was sunk yesterday in collision with the British steamer Hazel Branch, inward bound, at the anchorage in the Cardiff Roads. All the crew were saved. The Lake Erie was a vessel of 1,800 tons and was operating in the United States naval overseas transportation service.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 17.—With her steering gear slightly disabled, the American steamer Susquehanna arrived here last night. She left New York on Jan. 10 night. She is owned by the Susquehanna Steamship Company, but it is understood to be at present controlled by the United States Shipping Board.

CHANCELLOR JONES THERE

The Canadian Universities and Education Facilities for Returned Soldiers

Ottawa, Jan. 17.—Every university in Canada which is entitled to representation in the conference of universities of the dominion is ready to assist to the utmost in providing educational facilities for all returned soldiers who desire them. The universities are of the opinion that the dominion government should become responsible for the expense in giving the returned men their education by completing courses interrupted by men enlisting.

RUNAWAY BARGE SAFE AT METEGHAN

Meteghan, N. S., Jan. 17.—Barge No. 785 owned by the Lehigh Valley Transportation Company, arrived here yesterday afternoon, accompanied by the government vessel Grace L. of Westport. The barge was one of two which had broken away from the tug Lehigh, of Perth Amboy, during a severe snowstorm on Jan. 10. The crew is safe.

PAYS TRIBUTE TO COL. ROBT. S. LOW

Ottawa Paper Recalls St. John Paving Matter

What He Did for Youth in This City Who Had Made a Mistake—Sir Sam Hughes Accompanies Body to Nova Scotia

(Special to The Times.)

Ottawa, Jan. 17.—The cause of the death of Col. Robert S. Low was blood poisoning following infection of a small wound behind his ear to which no importance was attached and which was dressed by one of his men, with no thought but that it would heal immediately. That was last week. On Friday traces of blood poisoning developed but it was not considered serious at first. On Wednesday gangrene developed and in the afternoon Colonel Low lapsed into unconsciousness. An operation late on Wednesday night was a futile one as blood poison had so thoroughly infected his system. A few hours after the operation he passed quietly away.

The news of his death comes as a great shock to the people of the capital, where he had hosts of friends and few of whom even knew he was ill. Hon. A. K. Maclean and Hon. Frank Carroll were among the crowd of friends who attended the funeral to the Central station yesterday afternoon. Sir Sam Hughes, an ardent admirer and close friend of Colonel Low, went with the body to Halifax.



The Late Colonel Robert S. Low.

A Tribute. The Ottawa Journal in paying tribute to Colonel Low said: "Few men in Canada numbered more friends than the late Col. Robert S. Low, whose unexpected death occurred in the Protestant General Hospital early this morning. 'Bob' Low, as he was known from one end of the country to the other, was built on generous proportions. He had a big body and a heart of the same proportion, a fact that accounted in no small measure for his wide popularity. He was a curious mixture of canny shrewdness, dynamic energy and warm-hearted generosity. Quietly and unostentatiously he did much good. He lived every hour of every day, and those who enjoyed his friendship could count on him at any and all times.

"Many stories are told to illustrate his dominant characteristics. Once in St. John, N. B., when engaged as a paving contractor under the then Hiram Paving Company of Boston, he had a contract for a large amount of street work. The job was completed, but some of the members of the city council took exception to the composition comprising the pavement being declared short of the requisite proportion of cement. 'Are you going to pay for it?' queried the contractor, and the aldermen intimated that they would not. 'All right,' said the future colonel, I put it down in four days. I can remove it in one.' Next morning bright and early he had workmen on the scene of the contract prepared to tear the pavement from one of the city's nicest streets. At 7 o'clock the first pick struck the pavement and in half an hour quite a sizable patch had been loosened preparatory to removal. Someone communicated with city hall to the effect that 'that man Low is destroying Germain street.' Aldermen went at once to the scene and implored the contractor not to remove the work. That afternoon an emergency (Continued on page 2, seventh column.)