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VOCATIONAL COMMITTEE DEFIES COUNCIL

Supreme Arbiters In Expense Matters, Members Tell City

Claim Any Assessment Ordered Must Be Paid Over Without Consent of Civic Fathers; School Overdraft Discussed At Meeting

"CAESAR LIVES AGAIN," SAYS FRINK

"CAESAR LIVES AGAIN" was the reply of acting Mayor Frink this morning when the representatives of the vocational committee present at the conference with the city commissioners made the claim that they were supreme and that the council had to make any assessment they ordered and pay it over to them for expenditure.

Mouse Causes \$5,000 Loss At Radio Station

MONTREAL, Feb. 17.—Five thousand dollars' damage was done at the local radio station CKAC, last night, when a mouse collided with a fuse and caused a short circuit, blowing out 14 fuses.

PREMIER SAYS ONLY ROUTINE BUSINESS

Acting Mayor Frink read the letter of the school board in this connection and also the order of the council, which provided that the vocational committee should only be paid out when bills certified to the satisfaction of the city controller were presented.

CLAIM DICTATORSHIP

Acting Mayor Frink: Are we then to understand that the vocational committee can act as dictators to the city? Dr. Curran: Insofar as expenditure is concerned, yes.

CONVICTS IN RIOT

Nine Shot, Wounded, in Oregon State Prison Melee

Salem, Ore., Feb. 17.—Nine convicts were shot and wounded during a riot in the dining room of the Oregon state penitentiary late yesterday.

Commons To Adjourn About February 26

OTTAWA, Feb. 17.—The House of Commons will likely adjourn about Friday, February 26. Debate on the address, it is now understood, will probably occupy about eight more actual sitting days.

Bishop Advocates Repression Against Breeding of Unfit

LONDON, Feb. 17.—The Rev. Dr. E. W. Barnes, Bishop of Birmingham, made an outspoken declaration in advocacy of repressive measures against breeding of the unfit. Such repression, he maintained, would be "in accordance with the plan by which God has brought humanity thus far on its road."

Death Roll Now 31, Five Missing In Australia Forest Fires

In The Limelight



EARL OF CRAVEN who left New York in a hurry when a warrant was issued for his arrest, charging him with "Moral Turpitude." It is now reported that he will sail for Bermuda from Halifax on Feb. 27.

DOUCET ASKS FOR DOCUMENTS ON N.B. CASES

OTTAWA, Feb. 17.—Attention on Friday next at the customs probe of W. I. Hinckling, customs inspector of the port of Montreal, was asked today by Hon. H. H. Stevens for the purpose of producing correspondence relating to the conduct of that port. The motion carried.

GOVERNMENT NAMES MANY APPOINTEES

G. S. G. Hansen, Saint John, to Be Justice of Peace

STERLING EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Sterling exchange steady. Great Britain 486-118; France, 364 1/2; Italy, 403 1/4; Germany, 23.80. Canadian dollars, 1/2 of one per cent discount.

QUITS AIR SERVICE

Lieut. Wade, Noted Flyer, Plans to Head Polar Expedition

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Lieut. Wade, around the world flyer, announced last night that he will resign from the air service within the next two weeks and that he will lead a polar flying expedition this summer.

Mob Beats Non-Union Miners; One Stabbed

Evansville, Ind., Feb. 17.—Lee Grant, a non-union miner, was stabbed and seriously wounded yesterday, when a group of four hundred men sought to close the Hampton Schimmell mine at Newburgh, Ind.

HUGE POOL TO MARKET BULK OF WORLD WHEAT

Canadian Named Head of International Organization

MEET AT ST. PAUL

Arrangements Completed For Unification of Marketing Operations

ST. PAUL, Minn., Feb. 17.—The plan of co-operative marketing leaders for a world-wide organization of wheat pool units designed eventually to market the bulk of the world's wheat became a reality here yesterday at an international conference of wheat pools.

PEOPLE TO DECIDE LIQUOR QUESTION

Ferguson Says Electors Must Pass Judgment on Any Government Proposal

TORONTO, Ont., Feb. 17.—In a warm debate in the Ontario legislature on the address in reply to the speech from the throne, Premier Ferguson, speaking on the temperance question, which was forced to the front by W. E. N. Sinclair, Liberal leader, and W. R. Angus, Progressive leader, declared that the citizens of Ontario would be given an opportunity to pass judgment on any change proposed by the government.

MOTHER, 6 CHILDREN BURNED TO DEATH

Father Has Both Arms Broken in Central Bridge, N. Y., Fire

CENTRAL BRIDGE, N. Y., Feb. 17.—Seven persons, a mother and her six children, were burned to death when their apartment in this village early this morning.

SEVEN LOSE LIVES IN MINE EXPLOSION

Four of Victims Members of Rescue Squad at Kentucky Pit

CENTRAL CITY, Ky., Feb. 17.—Seven men lost their lives as a result of an explosion late yesterday in the Nelson Creek Coal Company mine, six miles north of here.

LINER IN COLLISION

Homeric Loses Anchor in Bump With British Freighter

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 17.—A survey of the White Star liner Homeric which collided with the British cargo steamer Charterhouse collided, while en route port, has revealed that the liner lost her starboard anchor but was otherwise undamaged.

Man Drifts Out To Sea On Log Before Eyes of Frantic Wife

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—A man pushed off from the beach on a log in pursuit of another large log which had gone adrift. Losing the pole, he cried out to his wife who was dressing nearby, only to find that she had rushed out and plunged into the sea, but was unable to aid her husband, who was drawn rapidly out into the straits on the receding tide.

Walks Barefoot Mile In Blizzard to Save Six



A TALE OF HEROISM that is an epic of the sea is being written as six coast guardsmen from a station on Narragansett Bay, Mass., recover from harrowing experiences from which they were saved, when near death, by the action of one of their comrades, who walked barefooted and scantily clad for a mile in a blizzard to bring them aid. Their craft had been wrecked as they were attempting a rescue. Photos show the smashed boat and men of the coast guard cutter Mjave, who dared death to rescue the six.

Canada Opens Trade Bureau At Copenhagen

LONDON, Feb. 17.—A Canadian Commercial Bureau is being established at Copenhagen, and E. Wilgress, who will take charge of the new station, is reported as saying Canada wants to develop trade with Scandinavia, as we understand that the Scandinavians prefer to trade with the British Dominions. It is pointed out that in 1925 Denmark bought six million dollars' worth of Canadian goods, which sets a record.

Tug Collides With Steamer; 4 Missing

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Four men were missing after a collision today between a New York Marine Company's tug and the Fall River Line steamer New Hampshire in the East River. Six others, three of whom were in a serious condition, were taken to the hospital, suffering from submersion and exposure.

Deep Snow Delays Funerals In N. S.

HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 17.—Reports reaching Halifax from the Amherst district of Nova Scotia tell of funerals being postponed on account of the snow, which is several feet deep over the cemeteries. In Springhill, where drifts have reached unprecedented dimensions, two coffins had to be dragged to the cemetery on toboggans drawn by hand.

Montrealer Keeps Word Drinks Poison

MONTREAL, Feb. 17.—"This is my last night; when I return to the house, I'll be dead," Stantias Hamel, 43 years of age, told his wife here last evening as he left the house. He kept his word, and took the contents of a bottle of carbolic acid. He died at midnight in a local hospital.

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TRAGIC SCENES WITNESSED IN AFFECTED AREA

Girl Uses Body As Shield For Two Sisters

TOWN DESTROYED

Prayers of Citizens Are Answered When Wind Suddenly Changes

MELBOURNE, Australia, Feb. 17.—Most pitiful scenes are being witnessed in the fire-affected districts of Victoria, where the death toll is now 31, with five missing, as well as six seriously and scores slightly injured.

Amid the tales of death come more tales of unexampled heroism, one of the most striking being that of a 16-year-old girl who covered her two younger sisters with her own body thus saving their lives although she herself was terribly burned.

In a town named Nojee only one building is left standing, and here more than 100 women and children stood out all night praying for the wind to change, when it suddenly veered away and removed the danger from them. Funds have been opened in all states for the relief of the stricken. There is much criticism of the Victoria Government for the inadequacy of its efforts of rescue and relief work, also for not taking care to provide the ordinary fire prevention safeguards.

K. OF C. TO PROTEST MEXICAN ACTION

Governor of Vera Cruz Orders All Catholic Schools Closed

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Knights of Columbus of Washington will meet soon to protest against the action of the Mexican Government in closing religious institutions presided over by foreign born priests.

Prepare To Resume Mining Operations

SCRANTON, Pa., Feb. 17.—When the word was flashed from Philadelphia last night, that the United Mine Workers had ratified the peace pact agreed to last Friday by the representatives of the anthracite operators and miners, the mining companies began to prepare for resumption of mining after five or six and seven-day days of illness.

The Weather

SYNOPSIS—Pressure is now quite high in the Canadian west and also over the Atlantic States, while a trough of low pressure extends from Northern Ontario to the Southwestern States. The weather is fairly cold in the Western Provinces and moderate from the Great Lakes eastward.

FORECASTS

Fair; Moderately Cold MARITIME—Fresh to strong northwest winds, fair and moderate today and Thursday. NEW ENGLAND—Increasing cloudiness and warmer tonight; Thursday rain and warmer; increasing southerly winds.

Temperatures

Table with 3 columns: City, Highest during day, Lowest during night. Includes Toronto, Montreal, Saint John, Halifax, New York.

\* Below zero.