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LAND NOTICES

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to the great developments now in progress. Never before since the country was opened up have there been so many plans for the development of the natural resources of Kootenay. Claims which were discarded as worthless have been bought up by capitalists and are being sold at high prices. The most optimistic view is that the coming year could not be brighter. The new smelter at Whitehorse will save miners sending their ore to the United States and this with the new dredges which will be put into operation should run the output for 1937 well over \$30,000,000.

WEEK'S ORE SHIPMENTS

FIRST CAR LOAD OF ORE FROM THIS QUEEN VICTORIA

WANT OF FUEL IS STILL KEEPING DOWN OUTPUT

The fuel situation, particularly in the Boundary country, is slightly improved, although the mine output is below the average, owing to the want of coal, the present indications are that this week will see a marked change for the better. Yesterday the Queen Victoria mine at Beasley, made its first shipment since the purchase of the property by James Cronin and associates, one carload going to the Consolidated smelter at Trail.

Appended will be found the ore shipments and smelter receipts in detail for the past week and year to date.

BOUNDARY SHIPMENTS		Week	Year
Granby	.....	6,387	56,118
Mother Lode	.....	2,280	2,383
Rawhide	.....	1,466	1,466
Brooklyn	.....	864	839
Rawhide	.....	902	932
Sunset	.....	128	2,308
Mountain Rose	.....	600	380
Providence	.....	25	222
Skyhawk	.....	19	79
Other mines	.....	1,128	1,128
Total	.....	12,735	102,965

ROSSLAND SHIPMENTS

Centre Star	.....	1,119	10,369
Le Roi	.....	3,336	19,367
Rawhide	.....	124	1,490
White Bear	.....	72	72
Other mines	.....	72	2,320
Total	.....	4,739	34,588

SLOCAN-KOOTENAY SHIPMENTS

Sullivan	.....	600	4,800
La Plata, milled	.....	425	3,400
Queen, milled	.....	145	1,160
Emerald	.....	94	382
La Plata	.....	128	609
Second Relief	.....	20	87
Rawhide	.....	117	594
Last Chance	.....	40	144
Lorna Deane	.....	21	269
Hunter V	.....	140	383
Whitewater	.....	72	218
Arlington, Slocan	.....	25	122
California	.....	42	42
Other mines	.....	15	156
Total	.....	2,146	16,134

The total shipments from the mines in the above districts for the past week were 38,700 tons and for the year to date, 1,032,200 tons.

GRANBY RECEIPTS

Granby	.....	6,387	56,118
Other mines	.....	258	258
Total	.....	6,645	56,376

DOMINION RECEIPTS

Boundary Falls, B. C.	.....	2,280	2,383
Other mines	.....	1,128	1,128
Total	.....	3,408	3,511

B. C. COPPER CO. RECEIPTS

Greenwood, B. C.	.....	964	9,339
Brooklyn	.....	864	839
Rawhide	.....	902	932
Sunset	.....	128	2,308
Mountain Rose	.....	600	380
Total	.....	2,594	17,494

TRAIL SMELTER RECEIPTS

Centre Star		1,119	10,369
Le Roi		3,336	19,367
Rawhide		124	1,490
White Bear		72	72
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HEROIC HOLOCAUST IN A MONTREAL SCHOOL

Seventeen Little Children, and the Heroic Lady Principal, Burned to Death--Heartrending Scenes as Tiny Charred Bodies are Removed From the Ruins--Miss Maxwell Gave Her Life for Her Pupils

Montreal, Feb. 25.—A total death rate of 17 is the tragic result of a holocaust which swept the Hochelaga Protestant school in the east end of this city this forenoon. The sombre nature of the catastrophe was relieved of its horror by an exhibition of rare heroism on the part of the principal, Miss Maxwell, who lost her own life while trying to save the children. The pitiful feature of the disaster is that the whole loss of life appears to have been due to neglect of most elementary precautions on the part of the authorities, who are supposed to see after the safety as well as education of their young charges. Although the children were not properly trained in fire drill, which might possibly have saved them all, the teachers undertook to get them out of the building with as little alarm as possible and when the alarm was given, calmly told their classes to put on their wraps and go home. But the fire spread with such fatal rapidity that almost half the children, the youngest ones, were shut off in an upper story. Smoke choked the corridors and the children were unable to find their way out. The fire spread with such fatal rapidity that almost half the children, the youngest ones, were shut off in an upper story. Smoke choked the corridors and the children were unable to find their way out.

Before the fire alarm was sounded, the men of the local station were on their way there, a passerby having seen the smoke and dropped in to warn the brigade. Immediately Captain Carson and a number of his men started out to the scene and before the first alarm had finished sounding they were preparing to rescue the children. So speedily had the flames spread, however, that even in these few minutes those children who had not escaped at the first call, were pinned in the upper flats of the school with a seething furnace of smoke and flame beneath them. At every window were seen the imprisoned children and teachers, while from the windows on the lower flat nothing could be seen but evidences of fire.

Captain Carson at once organized his men to set up extension ladders to the second story window where Miss Maxwell was signalling for help. The ladder was promptly run up and every man who could crowd upon it got in position to make a living chain to rescue the little ones. Captain Carson headed the ladder inside the window where was Miss Maxwell, surrounded by a swarm of children, excited and almost hysterical in its endurance. As soon as the firemen had formed their living chain to safety Miss Maxwell handed her little pupils one by one to Captain Carson and they were swiftly passed down the ladder from hand to hand to the ground. Thus the work went on until probably 40 of the children had been saved and it seemed that none were left.

Then Captain Carson called to Miss Maxwell to save herself. "No, no, there are others inside and I must save them," she replied, and ran back to look for the other little ones who she knew must be on the upper floor. That was the end.

When the firemen ran back and we called to her to come out as the room was full of smoke and flames," said Captain Carson.

When we saw her hurry to look for any of the children who might have been overcome. We could not follow her, it would have been simple suicide. A moment later she fell in the thick smoke. "We will all we could do, and an hour later, her body was carried through the window along with those of the children she had tried so hard to save."

Had it not been for the fire, the children would have been saved. The fire was started by a candle which had been left burning in a room where the children were sleeping. The fire spread rapidly and the children were unable to escape. The firemen arrived too late to save them.

Miss Maxwell, without alarming her pupils, told them to get their clothes and hurry home. As a result every pupil on her ground floor got away safely. Then Miss Maxwell ran upstairs and warned the other teachers and the same order was given. But the fire spread more rapidly than the news. By the time that upstairs pupils had been notified by their teachers to get their clothes and run home the stairway was full of smoke, and the little ones were unable to venture down. The kindergarten was on the upper floor and most of the classes were almost overcome in confusion. The children and they all became so excited at the sight of the curling smoke, that they were afraid to run to safety when they reached the stairway.

One of the older pupils ran down and called the rest, many of whom followed, but in the terrified confusion of the moment a great many of the others feared to venture down. The children stayed where they were. By the holocaust of the teachers and the courageous work of the firemen, many of these were saved.

On the top of the ladders where they had to be sprayed from the hose they labored to get at windows and haul out children. With the water freezing on their faces as it fell they never stayed their work as long as it seemed possible that a living child could be taken out. Several of them became exhausted by the cold and terrible work, while others were cut and hurt by the rough handling of hose and ladders and had to be attended to by the ambulance doctors. Not one of the men gave a thought for himself and it is undoubtedly due to their splendid work that the mortality was not much greater than it would have been. It was thought that not less than 40 children had been sacrificed. Not a child was taken from the building injured. The survivors were either taken out sound or carried down as corpses.

The scene as the firemen gradually gained control of the flames, was most pathetic. The firemen and police kept the crowd back by a cord, so that they could work without difficulty. As soon as the first signs of victory became apparent, ladders were placed against the walls and eager volunteers swarmed up to see if there were any left who might yet live. It was a forlorn hope, and a groan went up from the thousands gathered around as a huddled up bundle was passed through the upper window. No one needed to be told what it was. Carefully the firemen carried the tiny corpse down the ladder and hurried to the nearest ambulance.

His progress was stopped by an almost hysterical woman who ran up, pulled back the blanket with which the body had been swathed and examined it. "See if it were her," she cried, "I know it, not, but later on her child's body was taken out. Such scenes were repeated time and time again, as the grim process continued, the little bodies being hurried through the window, tightly wrapped in blankets and carried down to the ambulances, which would only take them to the morgue.

None of the smoke-blackened and charred bodies could be identified in the hurry of the moment, and on all sides were agonized mothers, whose children had not returned with the others, waiting to have their worst fears realized. That they were fulfilled, was frequently most painfully apparent, as a woman would recognize the clothes on the charred body and be led, sobbing, away.