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A PAGE OF NEWS ABOUT THE MARITIME

MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IS FIRE LOSS ESTIMATE IN THE PROVINCE OF QUEBEC

Evidence Accumulating That Some of the Outbreaks Were Set by Criminal Hands.

ARRESTS LIKELY TO FOLLOW AT ONCE

Rains in North Ontario Check Progress of the Flames But Deluge is Necessary.

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Rains at Port Arthur.

Port Arthur, July 7.—Heavy rain fell here today doing good though the heat spells had not reached the forest fire stage.

In Nova Scotia.

Amherst, N. S., July 7.—Bush fires in the district immediately surrounding Amherst are reported under control tonight and the situation generally is said to be greatly improved. Fires are still slowly burning along the Tyndale Road, at Black's Grove, at River Hebert and at Rodney. Outbreaks of fire are reported tonight at Northport and Tidnish. A small fire yesterday at Pugwash Junction originating from sparks from an express train, was said to be under control today.

The woods of Cumberland county are causing chief fire ranger C. H. Hunter considerable worry, however. They are as dry as tinder, and swamps which in other years have served as fire guards are caked and dried hard this season. The fire rangers and their volunteer helpers are making extraordinary efforts to prevent the spreading of conflagrations. Their work is rendered difficult by the fact that wherever a spark lights a fire originates.

Ottawa Valley.

Ottawa, July 7.—The situation in regard to the bush fires in the Ottawa Valley tonight was more hopeful. Rain fell for a while in the afternoon at Wyman, Que., where the fires threatened to destroy the farm buildings belonging to H. M. Anstie. Efforts to back burn this area were successful, and at a late hour tonight the fire was being driven towards the centre of the area, and away from the buildings. In the Gatineau district, above Maniwaki, where the fires have been burning fiercely and unabated for several days, there was thunder and lightning during the evening and hopeful signs of rain.

Grave fears, however, were felt in these various districts, that a strong wind would precede the rain, in which event the situation would be most serious.

SOME FIRES CONTROLLED

Montreal, July 7.—Chief Napoleon Longval, of Shawinigan Falls, reported tonight that the forest and bush fires around his municipality were under control. There was danger for a time that the flames would reach the town, but this was averted. The upper St. Maurice Valley section is, however, still suffering severely from forest fires and dense smoke surrounds Shawinigan Falls.

More Lash; Less Crime, Says Judge

Plea for Leniency to Prisoner Who Attacked Little Girl Gets Scant Sympathy.

Sydney, N. S., July 7.—Sentences aggregating forty years' imprisonment were imposed by Chief Justice Harris at the criminal trial sittings of the Supreme Court here this afternoon upon prisoners convicted of a variety of serious offences including six cases of criminal and indecent assault and a case of shooting with intent to kill. Tony Pucci was sentenced to five years' imprisonment on the last named charge. When D. D. McKenzie, M. P., put in a plea for leniency for Clarence Snow, convicted of indecent assault on a little girl, his lordship remarked that the only doubt in his mind was as to whether he should not sentence the convicted man to the lash as well, and upon counsel remarking that the lash was not much used in this country, the Chief Justice replied that if it had been a little more in the past he would not have to deal with such a disgusting docket.

MRS. DILL IS HOME.

Halifax, July 7.—Mrs. Jennie Dill, who recently with her husband, Frank Dill, walked from Halifax to Vancouver, arrived back at the place she started from, on the Maritime Express this afternoon. She slung her kit bag over her shoulder and stepped sturdily along the street to her hotel, carefree of the halibutian eyes that viewed her with some surprise her riding breeches.

Clifford Behan, who accompanied his father, Jack Behan, on the long hike from the Atlantic to the Pacific, arrived in Halifax late tonight on the Ocean Limited.

ALVA PEEL IS LIBERATED NOW

Attorney-General of Nova Scotia Decides Not to Prosecute After Jury Disagrees.

Amherst, N. S., July 7.—Following the filing by the Crown of a "nolle prosequi" Alva Peel, who has been a prisoner at Cumberland county jail since March 20, 1920, when he was arrested on charges of manslaughter, negligence in causing fire and arson in connection with a fire at Oxford, N. S., in which Lewis King lost his life, was today released from custody. Decision not to further prosecute the case against Peel was made by Attorney-General of Nova Scotia, after a jury had failed to reach an agreement on the occasion of his second trial here.

History of Case.

At his first trial in 1920, Peel was found guilty of the charge of arson and sentenced to five years in Dorchester penitentiary. His counsel, H. J. Logan, of Amherst, secured a stay of sentence until a reserved case could be argued at Halifax, however. The reserved case came up in November, 1920, but the full bench of the Supreme Court at Halifax failing to agree, it went to the Supreme Court of Canada.

In the meantime, application had been made for a new trial. A new trial was granted and recently held before Mr. Justice Chisholm at Amherst. The jury failing to agree, Mr. Logan moved for another trial before another jury, and it was while this motion was under consideration of the court, the Attorney-General dropped the charges against Peel.

FOREST FIRES UNDER CONTROL

Provincial Dept. of Lands and Mines Says Situation is Greatly Improved.

Fredericton, N. B., July 7.—The Department of Lands and Mines declared today that although the air is full of smoke and the sun with its reddish tints resembles a ball of fire, there are no serious forest fires in New Brunswick.

The congregation and a number of friends gathered last evening at the Methodist parsonage, South Devon, and spent a very pleasant social evening. Refreshments were served and at the close of the evening Mrs. Thomas was presented with a well filled purse as a token of the esteem in which she was held by the people of South Devon. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas left this morning for St. John, where he has been appointed to the pastorate of the Exmouth street Methodist church.

Man Dead; Didn't Know Gun Loaded

Dorville, Que., July 7.—Shot through the head today, Vital Gaudreau, 64, of this town, was instantly killed by a bullet fired from a revolver by Gerald St. Germain, 16 years old, of St. John's, Que. St. Germain and another youth, Simon, were playing with the weapon in the latter's house while Gaudreau, who was also there, was waiting for a telephone call. The telephone in Mr. Contant's house is in the hall, and the two youths were in the office with the door open. For several moments they pointed the revolver at each other in turn, snapping the trigger, but as only two chambers were loaded, no report followed. Finally St. Germain pointed the revolver at the open door, pulled the trigger and the fatality occurred.

THREE IN TORONTO.

Toronto, July 7.—Ontario was sentenced by the weatherman tonight to swelter at least one more day in the kind of temperature which has prevailed for a week. He could see nothing of an encouraging nature except thunderstorms in many places to vary the general condition which he forecast will be "still decidedly warm."

There were three deaths in Toronto, due to the heat. It was reported that 26 men employed in the Chippawa Development work had been knocked out and had to be taken home.

Shave, Bathe and Shampoo with one Soap—Cuticura

Queer conduct of the young man Mrs. Jones hired to cut the grass



Purse of Gold For Pastor's Wife

South Devon Methodists Honor Mrs. Thomas on Eve of Removal to St. John.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, July 7.—In the estate of the late Richard Connors, who died at South Devon a few weeks ago, letters testamentary have been granted to Miss Julia Connors, sister of the deceased, upon application of J. T. Sharkey, proctor before Judge of Probate Hughes. The estate is valued at \$6,408, all personal property, and Miss Connors is named sole executrix under the will.

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Honors Won By Maritime Students

Three from St. Francis Xavier and Two from Dalhousie in McGill Awards.

Ottawa, July 7.—C. A. Wright, Ph.D. of McGill University has awarded the Ramsey memorial fellowship at an annual value of \$1,500 by the advisory council for scientific and industrial research. The fellowship was established to enable the most brilliant student of chemistry in Canada to continue research work at one of the larger universities in Great Britain. Among other awards by the council were a studentship to C. A. MacKay, B. A., Dalhousie, physics, and bursary to E. P. Delan, B. Sc., St. Francis Xavier's, chemistry; Frederick Ferguson, B. A., St. Francis Xavier, chemistry; J. H. McCurdy, B. A., Dalhousie, physics; and L. J. McDonald, B. A., St. Francis Xavier, biochemistry.

MISS GALLANT WON.

Our best compliments to Miss Elma Gallant, student of Dalhousie College, who won the Gold Medal for Typewriting, she has obtained a speed of 61 words per minute, also has taken high hand her Diploma in Stenography. Miss Gallant is the daughter of Mr. J. C. Gallant, lumber inspector for the Canadian National Railways.

FIRE AT BRIDGEWATER.

La Have, N. S., July 7.—Fire fighting apparatus hastily summoned from Bridgewater, 12 miles distant, this morning, prevented the spread of a fire which destroyed the newly remodelled and unoccupied hotel owned by Fraser Gray and a dwelling house owned by John Moosman, and at one time threatened to endanger the town. The loss is estimated at \$25,000.

WOMAN REFUSED TO RETURN FOR DIVORCE COURT

Gave up Her Position in Boston Last Fall for Hearing That Was Postponed.

WILL NOT COME TO ACTION NOW

Judge Crockett Reserves Decision in the Kings County Case Until July 26.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, July 7.—Before Mr. Justice Crockett in the divorce court here this afternoon, the Kings county case of Jones vs. Jones, in which Melbourne Jones, of Beulah, seeks absolute divorce from his wife, Melissa Jones, was concluded. Mr. D. Mullin, appearing for plaintiff, and J. F. H. Teed for defence. This action was begun in August, 1920, and the defendant, now a resident of Boston, gave up her position whereby she was earning her living and came to New Brunswick in October to defend the action, which the plaintiff had notified her would be tried at the November court. The plaintiff did not proceed with the trial then, and the defendant, after being away from work for over a month, went back to Boston.

Came to Court Once.

When later the action was brought on for trial at this court, she had secured another position in Boston, and she sent word to her attorney Mr. Teed, that she has given up her position and came on to defend the action once at considerable expense, and not being guilty of the charges laid in the libel, she could not be proved guilty, and therefore did not proceed to give up her means of livelihood and come to New Brunswick. Mrs. Jones is a waitress by occupation and has been so employed in Boston for over ten years.

In view of her son's evidence on behalf of the plaintiff, Mr. Teed this afternoon expressed great regret at her absence, and pointed out to the court that his client had declared upon affidavit that she was not guilty of the charges and had come last fall to New Brunswick as above stated. Afterwards counsel on both sides occupied an hour each in addressing the court.

Son's Evidence Reviewed.

Mr. Teed held that the evidence of her son George Jones did not substantiate the charge of adultery against the defendant, and it proved further that plaintiff had been guilty of cruelty to his wife in 1921 by reason of which she then left him; and this cruelty was a bar to the husband's action. On the other hand plaintiff's counsel, Mr. Mullin, claimed that the son's evidence had proved adultery and that there was no proof of cruelty to his wife.

Judge Crockett reserved judgment in the case and the court was adjourned till Tuesday, July 26th.

Summer Vocational School In Session

One Hundred Student Teachers at Third Annual Gathering Opening in Fredericton.

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, July 7.—The formal opening of the third annual summer vocational school in New Brunswick was held this evening at the D. S. C.R. buildings in the old Government House. Upwards of 100 student teachers are in attendance at the school which promises to be the most successful yet held, and despite the extremely hot weather, there was a large attendance this evening.

Dr. H. V. B. Bridges, principal of the Provincial Normal School, acted as chairman at the public meeting, arrangements for which had been completed by Fletcher Pasco, provincial director of vocational education. R. B. Hanson, M. P., appeared as city solicitor, on behalf of Mayor Reid and gave the address of welcome.

Dr. George J. Tremaine, of Toronto, gave the principal address, his subject being: "The relationship between general and vocational education." E. W. Barnhardt, of the federal vocational board of the United States of Washington, D. C., spoke on "commercial training," and E. P. Gavin, of the Ontario Department of Education, spoke on the educational survey of Fredericton, which he is to supervise as an object lesson in connection with the course under the auspices of the Board of School Trustees.

Presentation To Rev. H. E. Thomas

Popular Devon Pastor, Who is Coming to St. John, Remembered by Congregation

Fredericton, N. B., July 7.—Rev. H. E. Thomas, who leaves the pastorate of the Gibson Methodist Church at South Devon to take that of the Exmouth street Methodist Church, St. John, left this morning to take up his duties on Wednesday night. Rev. Mr. Thomas and Mrs. Thomas were recipients of a purse. Rev. Mr. Wightman, who has been at Centerville, will succeed Rev. Mr. Thomas.

Lorne Earle Ryan and Miss Goldie Emma Delong, both of Fredericton, were united in marriage on Wednesday night by Rev. G. C. Warren of the Brunswick Street Baptist Church. They were attended by Joseph Higgins and Miss Clara Ryan, both of this city. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Delong of Fredericton.

Mrs. J. Stewart Neill entertained at luncheon at the Golf Club on Wednesday in honor of her sisters, the Misses Logan of St. John.

A. Laidlaw, who has been in Fredericton with the Metropolitan Insurance Company, has resigned and will return to St. John to take a position with the North American Company.

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STOREHOUSE AT CHATHAM BURNS

Big Loss in Foodstuffs Stored in Shed Belonging to the W. S. Loggie Co.

Special to The Standard. Chatham, N. B., July 7.—The large three-story wholesale warehouse on the Ritchie Wharf belonging to W. S. Loggie Co. Ltd., was badly damaged by fire this afternoon and its valuable and varied contents of foodstuffs, flour, feed, furniture, fishing supplies and building materials considerably damaged by fire and water. The fire started in an old one-story warehouse, known as the salt shed, a short distance to the west of the big warehouse and was first seen by the crew of a tug lying at a nearby wharf who gave the first alarm by tooting the whistle. By the time the general alarm was given the smaller building was a mass of flames and the fire had spread to the upper story of the big warehouse.

Saved the Gasoline

A large number of gasoline barrels stored on the wharf near the warehouse were promptly removed to safety by willing hands. The local fire department soon had several streams playing on the blaze and assisted by a large number of volunteers fought gallantly to prevent the fire spreading. In a short time Chief W. A. Skidd had eleven streams of hose playing on the conflagration, seven from hydrants, two from the steam fire engine that had been placed on the Government wharf and two from the Miramichi Lumber Company's tug Sirocco, which had been sent to the scene to render assistance. The fire was confined to the third story, the contents of which were practically destroyed.

Cooler in North

Campbellton, N. B., July 7.—The heat for the last three days has been intense, sometimes registering at 94 in the shade. The smoke from the outlying district covers the town, so far there has been no forest fire in the nearby districts reported. A light breeze came up this afternoon and it is much cooler.

Cheer Decision To End Their Strike

English Railroad Men Loudly Endorse Executive for Calling off Their Walkout.

Newcastle, England, July 7.—The National Union of Railwaymen's Conference, after prolonged and heated discussion today, adopted by a vote of 61 to 20, a resolution endorsing the action of the executive committee of the union in cancelling the railway strike which was projected to assist the striking miners during the coal stoppage.

Received With Cheers

The result of the vote was received with much cheering, it being considered a distinct triumph for the executive committee and the constitutionalists over those favoring direct action. The adoption of this resolution also was considered a great personal triumph for J. H. Thomas, leader of the railwaymen, who mainly was responsible for the cancellation of the strike order.

Halifax To Help The Unemployed

Public Meeting Called to Discuss Situation and Means of Relieving It.

Halifax, N. S., July 7.—At a conference held this morning between representatives of the Board of Trade and the Halifax City Council for the purpose of discussing the unemployment situation, it was estimated that there are from six to seven hundred unemployed in the city with the prospect of from 1,000 to 1,200 being added to the number within the next few months. It was further pointed out that public assistance of some form would have to be provided in order to tide over the situation, and to this end the mayor, John S. Parker, announced that he would call a public meeting to discuss the matter.

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Even a stubborn growth of hair will quickly vanish from the face, neck or arms after a single treatment with Castoria. To remove hair from arms, neck or face make a stiff paste with a little powdered Castoria and water, apply to hairy surface, and after about two minutes rub off, wash the skin and it will be left free from hair or blemish. To avoid disappointment, be quite certain you get real Castoria and mix fresh.

Uster to Have a "Provincial" Parliament Similar to Those of Canadian Lands.

ABANDONS DEMAND FOR A REPUBLIC

Happy Solution of Irish Problem Said to be Nearer Than for Many Years.

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Then there remains Ulster. While anxious to go as far as possible in placating the south, British statesmen are equally anxious to see that the northern minority will be afforded all possible rights, which at once presents the difficulty of reaching an arrangement to which Ulster will agree. Sir James Craig, premier of Ulster, will enter the conference, provided one is held, with many strings attached to him by Belfast and, just as De Valera will be hampered by the Sinn Fein, he will be hampered by the extremists in the north. Hence, the doubt that exists in the best informed minds as to the ultimate result.

More Good Will

Meanwhile, however, there is a growing evidence of good will and reasonableness in most unexpected quarters. This was shown tonight when Joe Devlin, who has kept the flag of constitutionalism flying against all assaults, was tendered a complimentary dinner at the House of Commons by the leaders of all parties. Those present included men holding such widely divergent views as J. R. Clynes, Sir Samuel Hoare, Oswald Mosley and Lord Robert Cecil. Both Mr. Devlin and T. P. O'Connor have been tireless in working for settlement, and it is largely due to their efforts, aided by the good will and support of Lord Birkenhead and Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill, that the present negotiations have been brought about.

Settlement in Sight

The conference of premiers did not meet this afternoon, the reason undoubtedly being a desire to give General Smuts as free a hand as possible. One of the dominion premiers, who, although taking no part in the actual negotiations, is well informed of what is going on, told the London Press correspondent this afternoon that the chances of a settlement were bright.

The morning session of the conference was taken up with addresses by Lord Curzon and Rt. Hon. Winston Churchill on Anglo-French relations. There were, of course, confidential, but it is understood they merely elaborated certain points touched upon by Lord Curzon in his outline of the Empire's foreign policy at the opening of the conference.

Premier Sails July 21

Premier Meighen has accepted the offer of Edinburgh University to confer upon him the degree of doctor of laws and he will visit that city on July 18. He will also receive the freedom of the city. Tonight he was among those who attended the court ball at Buckingham Palace. On July 15 he will be given the freedom of London, and on the 21st will sail for Canada.

ELECTION AT CHATHAM

Chatham, July 7.—Nominations will take place here on July 15 for an alderman to fill the vacancy made by the death of Ald. E. Macdonald. If an election is necessary it will be held four days later.

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