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Short Winter Forecast

Ground Hog Says "Spring Will Be Early."

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TOLL OF KNOWN DEAD STANDS AT 27 TODAY

Half Dozen Smaller Ships Still Waited With Anxiety

3 VESSELS LOST

Wireless, Radio Compass and Lundin Life Boat Get Great Praise

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Held at bay by human ingenuity and inventiveness, which have provided a thrilling rescue the last week, the stormy Atlantic is still threatening disaster to many vessels far at sea.

While naval men are anxiously following the fate of half a dozen smaller ships caught in one of the worst storms the Atlantic has known in years, the toll of known dead stood at 27 with 63 men known dead from imminent death. Three vessels are known to have foundered.

Today the Hamburg American liner Westfalen, steaming toward New York with 27 men aboard from the schooner Dutch freighter Alkaid, she bears the latest addition to the heroic story of rescues made last week by the United States liner Roosevelt and the North German Lloyd liner Bremen.

Another rescue has been added in the saving of five men from the schooner Simmons from the Pure Oil Company's tanker W. H. Mills off the Florida coast.

The British freighter Rebyrun, 10 days overdue from Rotterdam passed in the Delaware Capes today. The steamer is bound for Philadelphia with 5,000 tons of coal. Fears had been expressed for her safety.

Wireless messages last night reported that several small freighters chartered to bring coal to New York, Philadelphia and Boston, have been compelled to put in at St. John's Nfld., or Halifax.

INVENTIONS HELP

Naval men are high in praise for inventions which enabled the rescue of most of the men aboard all metal vessels during the storm. The wireless, of course, played the biggest part, but two more recent developments also were used to advantage. They are the radio compass and the new Lundin life boat.

Despite mistaken directions, the radio compass enabled the President Roosevelt to find the position of the British freighter Antiope and to save her 25 men. The compass indicated the exact direction from which the SOS from the Antiope came, although she had specified her position 100 miles wrong.

The Alkaid was located by the Westphalia by the radio compass.

A Lundin lifeboat, all metal, broad, shallow and buoyed with air tanks, so as to make it almost unsinkable, was employed to take off the crew of the Antiope.

WOULD RAZE HOUSES

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 2.—A proposal is being put forward by Mayor Baldwin that, in order to erect a broad-brimmed vista for the National War Memorial, which is to be placed on the plaza in this city, buildings between Sparks and Wellington be razed for one block back, and linked up with the proposed new national park which, it is expected, will be built to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the founding of Ottawa.

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MALAYS PROSPER BY RUBBER BOOTLEGGING

Earnings in 1925 were \$125,000,000 more Than in 1924, London Correspondent Declares—"Running" Financed by Wealthy People of High Standing.

LONDON, Feb. 2.—Telegraphing from Penang, Straits Settlement, the correspondent of the Daily Mail describes the enormous prosperity the boom in rubber has brought to the Malay Peninsula. The people of the region, he says, made about \$125,000,000 more in 1925 than in 1924 out of rubber.

Of the 92,000 planters in Malaya only 2,300 are Europeans. The bulk of the rubber is produced on small estates owned by Malays or Chinese. The fact that these estates have been yielding much more rubber than it is allowed to export has led to an immense smuggling industry in which the Malays constantly outwit the European agents and overseers.

MUCH "BOOTLEGGING."

Rubber "bootlegging" is carried on to a vast extent by a rubber fleet. "Rubber runners" is the name of the party who land their cargoes in the Dutch East Indies, from where they are sent to Singapore. If the coolies are caught, their families are provided for during their term of imprisonment, and they themselves are handsomely compensated by the rubber running financiers, when they are released.

None Are M. P.'s, However—Entwistle Answers Appeal of Baldwin Party

Canadian Press LONDON, Feb. 2.—Sir Alfred Mond's secession from the Liberal party has been followed by similar action by several Liberal politicians, none of whom are members of Parliament.

The latest to leave the Liberal ranks is Cyril Entwistle, who represented Hull in the House of Commons from 1918 to 1924. Mr. Entwistle says he cannot discern any hope of a practical Liberal policy consistent with individual liberty for which Liberalism has traditionally stood.

On the other hand, the aspirations and conduct of the present government appeal to his views, and he therefore is joining the Conservatives. Premier Stanley Baldwin has welcomed Sir Alfred Mond into the Conservative fold in what is described as an extremely cordial letter.

Russians To Study At Ford Factory

MOOSCOW, Feb. 2.—Due to a shortage of qualified instructors in Russia, it is planned to send 100 students to the Ford factories in Detroit for a year's course in tractor instruction. When they return they will impart their knowledge to others, thereby aiding Russia in its plans for more extensive modern agriculture.

MONCTON BUDGET TOTALS \$542,311

Estimate \$40,000 More Than Last Year But Assessment Likely Lower

Special to The Times-Star. MONCTON, Feb. 2.—The City Council last night passed the estimates for the year 1926 to the amount of \$509,664.97 for city purposes and \$222,647.55 for school purposes, a total of \$732,312.52. This is an amount in excess of the \$680,827.27 for 1925, exclusive of the city share of county assessment which will likely amount to about \$10,000.

It was stated that the city assessors are making adjustments in the city assessments and that there would be some shrinkage from the total assessment of last year.

WHOLE STAFF OF N. S. SCHOOL QUILTS

Refuse to Return to School After Dismissal of Alleged Impudent Boy

Canadian Press NEW GLASGOW, N. S., Feb. 2.—The local board of school commissioners today accepted the verbal resignations of Principal Douglas Hight, Miss Sylvester, Miss Day and Miss Murray of the New Glasgow High School, and appointed a committee to select others to fill their places so that pupils may resume their studies.

Yesterday the school was closed owing to the absence of the principal and the members of his staff, who were expelled to return to their duties unless the board upheld the suspension of 16-year-old Robert Williams who was expelled by Miss Murray, the French teacher for "impudently addressing her." The board ruled that the boy might return if he apologized for his remark, but Miss Murray would not agree to this, and her refusal was backed up by her colleagues, all of whom immediately "went on strike."

66 YEARS WITH ONE FIRM

LONDON, Feb. 1.—Thirty-eight employes of George Harker & Co., Ltd., colonial produce merchants, of Upper Thames street, have, between them, 1,423 years of service. Their average length of service is more than 37 years. The veteran of the warehouse, A. Clark, aged 92, has been with the firm 62 years.

Ont. Ex-M. P. Dies on Eve of Theft Trial

TORONTO, Ont., Feb. 2.—J. A. M. Armstrong, former M. P. for North York, who was awaiting trial on several charges of theft, forgery, uttering and false pretences, died at his home in Lloydton, Ontario, this morning. He was on remand till tomorrow on bail of \$50,000. He was in his 49th year.

Mr. Armstrong was stricken with acute pneumonia yesterday afternoon. His family today said that he had been under heavy mental strain and had been ailing for some days. He is said to have been conscious to the end.

Armstrong was arrested some weeks ago on 30 charges, arising out of or in connection with the case against H. H. Coffey, former bank manager at Schomberg, Ontario. Armstrong and Coffey appeared before County Magistrate Brunton last week, and were formally remanded till Thursday next.

Abolition of Level Crossing Is Urged Upon Government

OTTAWA, Ont., Feb. 2.—Steps to rid the country of all level railway crossings on provincial highways were urged upon the government in the House of Commons last night, by C. B. Howard, Liberal, Sherbrooke. He would have the federal and provincial governments along with the railway companies make a three-way split of the cost of the bridges or tunnels as the case might be. He thought a start should be made this summer after fer-

mutating a comprehensive policy that would eliminate a certain number of level crossings every year until all those on provincial highways were removed. He said that the municipalities should not be made to help. They were already taxed to the limit now and were not responsible for the thousands of automobiles which passed on some of the highways every day. The annual toll in deaths and injuries from level crossing accidents made it imperative that something be done.

Several Thousand Dollars Damage Done By Blaze in Barrington Street

Canadian Press HALIFAX, N. S., Feb. 2.—Damage estimated several thousand dollars was caused by a fire which started this morning on the fourth floor of the Nova Scotia Furnishing Company's premises in Barrington street. The flames originated in a pile of mattresses and ruined considerable stock before the firemen got them under control. One employee of the firm, Peter Buckley, suffered a badly burned hand.

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