

Capricious Weather In March Proves Paradox

March 3 Sees Temperature Drop to 30 Below for Winter Record While Thermometer on March 22 Rises to 60 Degrees. Rainfall During Month Heaviest on Record.

The month of March, traditionally capricious in the variations of the weather, turned out to be a complete paradox, producing both the coldest and warmest days recorded to date this year. On the third of March the mercury hit its lowest this winter, thirty below, while on March 22 a temperature of sixty degrees above was recorded during the afternoon. While records are not available it is regarded as remarkable that the month of March could produce a divergence in temperature of ninety degrees.

Despite the fact that the record low spot was recorded during the month, the mean minimum temperature of 10 1/2 degrees, is above average and the warmest since 1927. The mean maximum temperature for the month was 33 1/2 degrees, which is also the highest since 1927.

during the month was on the 22nd, when the thermometer during the afternoon reached 60 degrees and this warm temperature brought us our first thunder storm of the year with intermittent warm rain showers.

The lowest maximum temperature for the month was 2 below zero on the 2nd, and the only day during the month with the maximum below zero.

There were 13 days with the maximum below freezing and 18 days above 32 degrees.

The mean maximum temperature for the month was 33 1/2 degrees, and is the highest since 1927 and higher than the average.

Minimum Temperatures

The lowest temperature recorded over the past month was 30 below zero on the 3rd.

There were 11 days with the minimum below zero and 4 days with the minimum above 32 degrees.

The coldest day of the month was on the 3rd with a mean for the day of 13 degrees below zero.

The mean minimum temperature over the month was 10 1/2 degrees which is above the average and again the warmest since 1927.

The mean temperature over the month was almost 22 degrees, much warmer than is usual and away above the average.

Precipitation

Snow fell on 9 days during the month mostly in light showers a total snowfall of 6" being the lightest since 1927 and below the usual.

Rain fell on 9 days during the month with a total of 1.12 inches and is the heaviest rainfall during March, of which we have any record; the heavy showers on the 22nd accounting for about 3/4 of an inch of this total.

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Review of the Weather

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The beginning of the month started very cold but gradually warmed up to the 12th, when a temperature of 42 degrees started the snow melting. A short cold snap of two days was followed by really warm weather from the 15th to the end of the month with the exception of the 26th when the maximum went down to 32 again, but for one day only. The month has been generally fair and nice and a welcome change from the past 5 months of winter.

150 hours of sunshine over the month gave an average of 6 1/2 hours of sunshine per day. During the month there were 4 days only during which the skies were totally overcast and no sunshine.

A new moon at the 31st of March will be full on the 4th.

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Maximum Temperatures

The highest temperature recorded



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Loyalists in Spain Plan to Reorganize

Franco Forces Said to Demand Unconditional Surrender.

Hendaye, French-Spanish Frontier, April 5.—Generalissimo Francisco Franco, Spanish Rebel commander-in-chief, is planning an ultimatum to the Loyalist government demanding unconditional surrender, it was reported to-day.

The alternative, it was reported, would be a merciless attack on Barcelona by every agency of war at the Rebels' command, including a renewal of the mass airplane bombardments that brought protests from foreign governments.

Rebel artillery fire from the hills around Tortosa smashed the Catalonia-Valencia railroad and cut the main north-south highway between Northern and Southern Loyalist Spain.

Following an emergency meeting of the Loyalist Cabinet, reports said, Premier Negrin reduced Defence Minister Indalecio Prieto to the rank of minister without portfolio and took over his post.

Negrin became virtual dictator in Barcelona in a Cabinet shake-up which saw the emergency of extremists and anarchist elements. Coincident with Prieto's surrender of power, President Manuel Azana and his wife moved the presidential residence to Tarrasa, north of Barcelona on the highway to France.

Representatives of the Syndicalist C.N.T. (National Confederation of Workers) and the Socialist-Communist U.G.T. (General Union of Workers) will be included in a new cabinet, it was reported.

Everywhere the Rebels were advancing, driving into and smashing the remnants of the Loyalist army which had defended the Catalonia front. Rebel jubilation was unrestrained. The official Salamanca radio broadcast: "The war is won!"

It was asserted that between March 9 and March 31, in their Aragon-Catalonia offensive, the Nationalists took 18,242 prisoners, buried 7,554 Loyalist dead, destroyed nine Loyalist divisions and seven brigades, captured 74 field guns, 335 machine guns, 409 sub-machine guns, 14,000 rifles and 25 tanks.

Rebels cut Catalonia from the rest of Government Spain to accomplish their first great objective and swept on toward Barcelona and Valencia.

Communications between these two major coastal cities remaining to the Government were severed yesterday when Rebels reached Tortosa, looking down upon the Mediterranean. Machine guns and field artillery raked the road from Tortosa, rendering useless the last highway link between Catalonia and the rest of Government Spain, which includes Madrid. General Franco's troops were prepared to occupy Tortosa itself.

A Rebel communique announced their troops had pushed six miles to the north, east and south of captured Lerida on the central sector of the Catalan front. Government troops were said to be in full retreat, presumably to take a stand in fortifications stretching between Balaguer and Borjas Blancas, approximately in the centre of Catalonia.

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As to providing a proof that she has a cure, she has, to my personal knowledge, provided and produced her proof by the presence of men who had been given up by the doctors and sent home to die, and who are now in good health and performing their daily occupations. The doctors gave me a death sentence, and Miss Caisse's treatment revoked that sentence, and I am still very much alive and there is still no sign of a return of the trouble of two years ago.

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Reports Increase



J. R. BEATTIE
President of Toronto Cadillac-Pontiac Sales Limited, 832 Bay Street, Toronto, who reported at the company's annual meeting recently that 1937 had been the greatest year in Cadillac history.

Dead Body of Settler Found Naked in the Snow

Last week a group of settlers in the Gardiner section some seventeen miles north of Cochrane found the dead body of John Mathot, 48-year-old settler in the dense bush, the man kneeling naked in the snow with a bible clutched in his hands. Mathot had been missing since before Christmas and search had been made for him months ago. Early in January the provincial police had been notified that Mathot appeared to be missing. The police found the door of his cabin securely fastened, and when they broke in they found the man's clothing and other belongings in a heap near the door with spruce bed, furniture, and his gun smashed in the heap. The door was partly jammed with a hand-sleigh, the runners of which acted as a wedge. The finding of clothing and especially underwear in the house suggested that Mathot had been mentally ill and had apparently gone out naked in the snow and cold. The finding of the body appeared to support this theory. On account of the depth of snow and other conditions search for the body had to be abandoned, but the recent thaw made it possible to resume the search, one group of searchers finding the body as noted above. The provincial police took the body to Cochrane and are making a thorough investigation of the matter of Mathot's death to establish all the facts that may be learned in the case.

Offers Proof of the Value of Treatment

Man Cured of Cancer Makes Plea for Miss Caisse.

The following letter appeared in Monday's Toronto Telegram and is along the same line as many other testimonials quoted by The Huntsville Forerunner in its support of Miss Caisse's treatment at her clinic at Bracebridge. While the Ontario Government has seen to it that Miss Caisse is allowed to carry on her clinic without open interference, the Medical Council of Ontario has not apparently altered its attitude towards her.

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ation for a cancer and been treated with radium, and he has just been advised that there is another cancer coming and must have another operation, which he says he cannot stand, and wishes to know of the treatments of Miss Caisse in my own trouble. I have received hundreds of letters of this kind, a very large number of them being from Toronto citizens. Why deprive these people of relief from cancer by driving the one who has done so much for our country?

JAS. SUMMERWILL,
Sprucedale, Ont.

Teaching Geography by Use of Slides

Plan Used by Iroquois Falls Public School. Other Iroquois Falls News.

Iroquois Falls, Ontario, April 5, 1938.—(Special to The Advance)—Once each week, during the month of March, the pupils of the Iroquois Falls Public School gathered together, in the assembly hall to view the coloured slides that depicted many geographical scenes of great interest.

Possibly a more advantageous season could not be chosen, to show in picture form, the work that has been taken during the previous term, and during the time from the Christmas holidays to Easter, when the children become restless. Having this view in mind, Mr. J. L. Harkness, principal of the public school, decided to import these slides, thereby interesting the scholars, and at the same time accomplishing something that would prove beneficial to their studies.

Some four hundred slides in all were shown, and included pictures of across Canada, West Indies cruise, Mediterranean cruise, the Rocky Mountains and Alaska, a special set showing a trip through the Maritimes, and two sets of "Agricultural Developments." The pictures which are being shown as present are on a trip through England.

Showing the real beauty spots of the world, it greatly assists the pupils in learning their geography, which at the same time they are enjoying. It is a known fact that one picture is worth a thousand words, and undoubtedly as the children see these beautiful scenes, it instills permanently in their minds views about which they learn. It also brings to their attention the vastness of the world, and the many wonders that otherwise could not be taught.

Miss Olive Cameron, and Miss Joan Benson, popular girls of Iroquois Falls, left here on Monday to commence their nursing studies in Timmins.

Joe Johnson and Urvin Stack, Iroquois Falls, left here on Monday for Port Alexander, where they will be in charge of a summer resort for the coming season.

Mrs. Geo. Gratton left on Monday to join her husband, Mr. George Gratton, Beauport, after having spent an extended holiday with her parents in Iroquois Falls.

Mr. Ed Olavson, chief of police, Iroquois Falls, has just returned from a visit to Toronto and points south.

A. F. Kenning, Former Local Member, Married at Toronto

The marriage of Miss Myra Sexsmith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew W. Sexsmith, Ridgeway, Ont., and Mr. Alfred F. Kenning, Pembroke, Ont., took place on Saturday, April 2, at 12 o'clock noon, in Rosedale Presbyterian Church, Toronto, Ont., Rev. J. B. Paulin officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence R. Weber were the attendants.

The bride wore a grey wool suit with blue accessories and a corsage of gardenias and violets.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenning will be at home after April 15th at "The Silver Birches," Winona, Ont.

The Amplifier

(Just Staff Stuff)

Someone asked the other day, "What is the purpose of 'The Amplifier'?" and not having meditated upon the subject, the answer was not readily forthcoming. However, it seemed best to say, "It's to make IT louder!" And what, you ask, is IT? Well, IT is that foolish thing you did and thought unwise, and IT is sometimes "a slam" about a disagreeable matter. Then, too, IT may be a passing thought, that dropped in at the wrong brain, or just a few words that were unwittingly written.

A local office worker the other day said: "I hate to sit down, because when I'm nicely comfortable, I hate to get up, if someone comes into the office," and her friend replied, "Yes, and you hate to stand up when you think that you could sit down." All in all, that is a lot of hate.

Sometimes life is like fool's gold.

A sure sign of spring:—A young gentleman was standing in front of a local jewellery store, industriously ticking off on his fingers the amounts he had to pay out of his salary. Finally he gasped, half to himself, and half to the jeweller's window, "Why, that will mean only ten dollars left to deposit on the ring!" And he looked so sad! But, if this young man should find out that someone overheard his remarks, he might take consolation from the fact that many another gentleman would be glad to have even a dollar to deposit on "the ring."

North Bay Nugget:—Detroit minister reminded an audience of women that men are only dust, after all. And he should have explained that it isn't gold dust.

Early Break-up Causes Hardship to Settlers

Thousands of Cords of Pulpwood Left Stranded in Bush, Says Despatch from Cochrane. Storekeepers Affected by Hardships Suffered by Settlers. Government May Have to Give Some Form of Relief in Some Cases.

Cochrane, April 7.—(Special to The Advance)—With thousands of cords of pulpwood left stranded in the northern bush because of the unexpectedly early break-up of the winter roads through the woods, many settlers of the Cochrane district are facing a financial problem they had not expected this spring and one that, incidentally, will draw the provincial authorities into its meshes because of the probable necessity of providing relief where this had not been anticipated, it is intimated here.

Snow disappeared so rapidly that much of the winter's cut of pulpwood could not be brought out and one estimate to The Advance was that 50,000 cords were left in the bush in the Kapuskasing and Hearst areas alone. The correspondent was told that, in one instance, one storekeeper had 12,000 cords he could not obtain under existing conditions, and the expectations are that much wood will have to remain in the bush until sufficient snow is available next winter to enable it to be hauled to the "outside."

Settlers in many instances were depending on their winter's cut to obtain money for the spring, and this will not now be available, since completion of payments is contingent on delivery of the wood, it is explained. Advances in cash were made by companies buying the pulpwood up to the end of last year and storekeepers have been carrying the settlers in many cases until a settlement could be made with delivery of the pulpwood. Now, with this postponed until the cut can be brought out, wholesale houses are tightening up on the retailers, who cannot meet their obligations, it is stated, because the settlers are without money meantime.

The Ontario government becomes interested because it probably will be required to provide some form of relief for the settlers, at least until road work is available, probably two months hence. Wood left in the bush is left to the mercy of the elements, and there is always the danger that forest fires may sweep away the fruit of a season's work when the pulpwood has to remain at the scene of the cutting. Lumber companies in some measure also were victims of the early break-up, it is stated, and there are reported instances of logs being left in locations which will not permit of movement before next winter.

Last Year Listed As Star Health Year

Great Progress Made in Fighting Tuberculosis

(By J. W. S. McCullough, M.D., D.P.H.)

The year 1937, according to the experience of one of the largest insurance companies doing business in the U.S. and Canada, has proved to be a Star Health Year. The average length of life, that is the expectation of life at birth among the policy-holders of this company reached the unprecedented level of 60.7 years. This figure is almost exactly 14 years over the expectation of life (46.63 years) of a quarter of a century ago. The greatest advance was made in respect to tuberculosis, the mortality of which dropped 5.5 per cent. Typhoid fever mortality was 96 per cent. below the figure of 25 years ago.

The death rate for whooping cough, measles, scarlet fever and diphtheria rose somewhat during the year but in spite of this the combined rate for these afflictions shows a drop of 69.0 per cent. from that of 10 years ago. Again in spite of the small rise in the diphtheria mortality, during 1937, the death rate of this affliction has been cut in two in five years, by more than 80 per cent. in 10 years and by 93 per cent. since 1911.

Diphtheria and typhoid fever form examples of what it is possible to accomplish in the control of a communicable disease once knowledge of the cause and method of prevention have become available.

The slight decline in the deaths from heart disease, which ranks first among all the causes of death, shows a bright spot in that the rate is declining among young people where most of the deaths are caused by a chronic inflammation of the lining membrane of the heart (chronic endocarditis), which in turn, is most often brought on by infectious disease, chiefly acute rheumatism, streptococcal infection and syphilis.

The cancer rate for 1937 remained much the same as that of the previous year. The reported rate for this affliction has increased 38 per cent. since 1911 but this rate is a grossly inaccurate measure of the actual rise in cancer mortality. It is due, not to an actual increase in the number of cases, but to the greater skill of doctors in finding cases, to the better official records, the increased length of life and improved knowledge of the public about disease.

The recorded death rate from diabetes continued its persistent rise. There are, however, encouraging signs in respect to this malady. Diabetics are living longer to-day than ever before. The death rate in persons under 45 is declining. The value in treatment of the new protamine insulin seems to have been definitely proved. With the extended use of this remedy we may hope to be able further to extend the life of the diabetic.

Hudson Township Woman Suffers Severe Burns

From New Liskeard this week comes the report of serious burns sustained by Mrs. Mary Leroux when her clothing caught fire while she was varnishing stovepipes at her home in Hudson township, six miles from New Liskeard. Mrs. Leroux is a woman of sixty years of age, and she and her husband, Albert Leroux, have been settlers in Hudson township for some little time. It is not known as to just what happened to cause the serious burning of Mrs. Leroux. Perhaps a spark from the stove ignited the stovepipe polish being used. In any event, Mrs. Leroux's clothing seemed to break suddenly into flames and the fact that the clothes were literally burned on her gives an idea of the severe burns the woman suffered. Her cries brought her husband to the rescue and he eventually succeeded in extinguishing the fire, but not before his wife had suffered very serious burns. Later, Mrs. Leroux was taken to the hospital at New Liskeard. Her condition is reported as critical.

Globe and Mail:—It is a pity that the problem cannot be simplified and fairly presented in the single question: "Are you in favour of winning a sweepstake?"

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