

TWO KILLED, THREE INJURED IN EXPLOSION AT MERRITTON PLANT

Merriton, Ont., Oct. 31.—A heavy tank was located was also badly wrecked and the wonder is that all five men there at the time of the explosion were not killed. As it was, Dennis and Owen only sustained slight injuries, and while Chivers' were of a more severe nature, his condition is not regarded as serious.

The theory that the tank contained gas of an explosive nature is disposed of by one man who says it was not airtight and that consequently it was incapable of generating gas. He says further that other tanks in the plant have frequently been drilled. The Provincial Inspector of Factories and the Industrial Hygiene Dept. have been communicated with and asked to help solve the mystery of the explosion.

Following the accident all of the injured were rushed to the St. Catharines General Hospital. Boyle died while being admitted, and Costiff a few hours later. Their wounds were principally about the head and face. Both men were married. Boyle leaves a wife and two children, and Costiff a wife and four children.

Dennis and Owen were able to leave the hospital after receiving treatment. Chivers' injuries were found to consist of burns and cuts about the face, and unless eye troubles follow, should be around in a few days.

The dead are:
JAMES BOYLE, 48, Peter street, Merriton.
THOMAS COSTIFF, 44, Merriton street, Merriton.

The injured:
GEORGE CHIVERS, Merriton.
GEORGE DENNIS, Merriton.
FRANK OWEN, Merriton.

The cause of the explosion is unknown and, according to men with years of experience in paper-making plants, such an accident is unheard of. The tank, or "beater," as it is technically known, is used to "tease" or mix the ingredients used in the manufacture of paper.

THREE KILLED WHEN TRAIN STRIKES AUTO

Small Hope for Recovery of Woman Injured in Level Crossing Crash at Milton.

Milton, Ont.—Three men were killed and a woman was seriously injured when a C.P.R. westbound Toronto-Guelph passenger train struck a sedan at a level crossing about 300 yards east of the station here at 2.25 Wednesday afternoon. The dead are: A. B. Couch of Montreal, Jesse Kippis of Hamilton and A. E. Jones of Hamilton, while Mrs. A. E. Jones was very seriously injured and little hope is held out for her recovery.

The sedan, driven by Mr. Jones, was struck in the centre and carried along the track for about 200 yards until the train came to a stop. The three men were instantly killed, while Mrs. Jones, found to be living when extricated from the wreck, was taken immediately to Dr. G. A. King's residence here, and later was rushed by ambulance to the Hamilton General Hospital, where she lies in a critical condition.

The men were members of the executive of the Zimmerknit Knitting Company of Hamilton, and accompanied by Mrs. Jones, they had completed an inspection of the Milton Yard and Spinning Mills, on the north side of the C.P.R. tracks. When crossing the tracks on their return it is supposed that Mr. Jones' attention had been drawn by a shunting freight in the yards and he did not notice the approach of the passenger train.

A mass of twisted iron and wood, any part of which could be lifted by a boy, was all that remained of the motor car.

Hamilton.—A. B. Couch, president of the Zimmerknit, Ltd., lived in Montreal. He is said to have been middle-aged, married, and leaves several children. He came to Hamilton on Monday to visit the local plant, as he was accustomed to do from time to time. Mr. Couch took a keen interest in the Zimmerknit softball team. He is said to have been prominent in business circles in Montreal.

Albert E. Jones, who was president of the Hamilton Hosiery Company, a selling company of the Zimmerknit, Ltd., lived at 104 Flatt avenue, Hamilton.

Jesse Kippis was superintendent of the Zimmerknit, Ltd. He was 32 years of age, and lived at 152 Balmoral avenue north, Hamilton. Mr. Kippis was married and had two young children.

OPENS CANADIAN STUDENTS' HOSTEL

Prince of Wales Pays Official Visit to Paris—Inspects Military School

Paris.—The Prince of Wales arrived in Paris Thursday evening for his first official visit in three years. Looking in perfect health, and attired in the latest efforts of the London silversmith, the heir of the British Throne was welcomed enthusiastically by several thousand members of the British colony and scores of young French girls who wished to get a glimpse of the bean prince.

The tiresome journey across the Channel, which was much rougher than usual, did not seem to affect the Prince or his reputation as the best-dressed young man in the world. The Prince rewarded the admiring crowd of French girls with one of his beamy smiles after shaking hands with the representatives of the President of the Republic, the French Government, and the staff of the British Embassy.

The chief purpose of his official visit is to inaugurate the Canadian students' hostel at the University of the City of Paris. The Prince inspected the famous French Military School at Saint Cyr.

JITNEY DRIVER SLAIN AND ROBBED OF \$300

Lifeless Body of Sudbury Man Found About Twelve Miles from Town.

Sudbury, Oct. 31.—Lying by the side of the Garson Road, about 12 miles from here, the lifeless body of Guiseppe Justo, aged 39, a Sudbury jitney driver, was found this morning about 9 o'clock, pierced in the head and abdomen with bullets. Abandoned at the rear of Sacred Heart College, Notre Dame Street, Justo's automobile, in which he had set out with one passenger for Garson Saturday evening about 6 o'clock, was also discovered. The identity of the passenger has not been established, and it is apparent that the actual shooting took place on the roadside, as the auto bears no trace of blood.

Township and Provincial police this evening were without any definite clue, while of the opinion that robbery is the motive. Chief Toohy, F. Nelson and Carson Township police stated that they had learned that Justo had \$300 in his possession when he left Sudbury, but a bunch of keys was all that was found on his person this morning.

Justo apparently died where he fell. Only a few feet from the edge of the road, in plain view. Charles Matson, a dairyman, saw the body while driving his milk truck. He had been expecting for several hours.

As far as is known, the murdered man's 15-year-old son was the only one who saw him in the jitney. Before leaving the stand Justo had told the boy to wait there until his return an hour afterward.

Justo is survived by a widow and six children.

B.C. Apple Exhibit Is Being Prepared

Vancouver.—The apple exhibit of the Associated Growers, Limited, at the Royal Winter Fair, Toronto, which is now being prepared at Penticton, will consist of 250 boxes. One hundred and fifty boxes will be used for display purposes at the fair, while the remaining 100 boxes will be used for entries in competitive classes. Specimens of the leading winter varieties will be included in the exhibit. The balance of the carload will consist of 500 straight, '96 commercial, pack, faced, and unwrapped, which it is proposed to use for window display in Toronto. Last year two of the big departmental stores featured a window display of British Columbia apples during the Royal, which proved a splendid advertisement, and it is hoped to make a similar arrangement this year.

Canada's Automobile Exports Continue to Grow

Ottawa.—Canada's automobile exports increase. In the last 12 months passenger and freight autos have been sent to 61 countries throughout the world, from Argentina to Iceland, from Iraq to Mexico. The value of these exports was \$4,706,949. In the previous corresponding 12 months, ended Sept. 30, 1925, the value of auto exports was \$3,813,829. The number of motor vehicles of all kinds exported in the current 12 months was 76,664, compared with 64,917 in the previous similar period.

World's Highest Observatory Plans Study of Planet Mars

Geneva.—Professor Schaefer of Geneva University, the Swiss astronomer, left here a week ago for the Jungfrau Observatory, 11,240 feet high, and the highest in the world, to make observations as the planet Mars approaches the earth. At the nearest point it will be some forty-two million miles distant.

According to Professor Schaefer, there is little doubt that Mars possesses two seasons resembling the earth's summer and winter.

ROYAL PARTY VISITS CANADA



The Queen of Rumania, her son, Prince Nicholas, and daughter, Princess Ileana, at Government House, Toronto.

FARMERS MOVE IN FROM UNITED STATES

Reports from Agencies Show Increased Migration of Settlers to Canada.

Ottawa, Ont.—Immigration to Canada of farm settlers from the United States for the month of September was particularly active, according to reports received from the agencies of the Dept. of Immigration and Colonization. Last month the agency at Fargo, North Dakota, headed the list of the 18 agencies of the department in the United States with a total of 675 persons sent to Canada, an increase of 300 over September, 1925. These 675 settlers brought with them cash and effects valued at \$726,095. Only ten were not of the farming class.

The agent at Syracuse, N.Y., reports that more settlers have been sent to Canada through his office since April 1st, this year, than in any year since 1915. Reports for last month from the other agencies show increased migration of the best class of farm settlers, when compared with September in recent years.

British Columbia Hen Makes New World's Record

Agassiz, B.C.—Hen No. 16 of the White Leghorn pen entered by the University of British Columbia in an egg-laying contest held at the Dominion Experimental Farm, from Nov. 1, 1925, to Oct. 31, 1926, on Oct. 27th laid her 348th egg since the competition began, thereby establishing a world's record. The hen produced an egg a day for 200 consecutive days. Previous egg-laying records included 342 annually, made in New Zealand in 1923, and 347 in Australia in 1924. A hen of Puyallup, Wash., last year established the record for this continent with 335 eggs.

Norway Gives 110,000 Against Prohibition

Oslo.—The final figures of the recent plebiscite on prohibition show a majority of more than 110,000 against the present law. The vote was:
For prohibition: 421,292
Against prohibition: 531,425
The "dry" lost 67,725 supporters, as compared with the 1919 plebiscite, while the "wets" gained 226,752.

ONTARIO GOVERNMENT TO ADD 529 MILES OF HIGHWAY TO SYSTEM

Watford, Oct. 29.—Hon. George S. Henry, Minister of Highways, announced here that in order to link up various Provincial Highways throughout the Province into one coordinate chain, 529 miles of new highways were to be added to the present system, bringing the total mileage of Provincial highways up to 2,399 miles.

- The mileage to be assumed is as follows:
1. Morpeth to Wyoming, to No. 7 Highway, 52 miles.
 2. No. 7, London via Watford and Strathroy, 24 miles.
 3. Elginfield to Clinton, 33.5 miles.
 4. Mitchell to Paumotu, and Teviotdale, 36 miles.
 5. Walkerton to Durham, 16.5 miles.
 6. Owen Sound to Barrie, 76 miles.
 7. Barrie to Midland, 26 miles.
 8. Preston to Guelph, 12.5 miles.
 9. Paris to Galt, 13 miles.
 10. Port Dover to Jarvis, 8 miles.
 11. Cappison's Corners to Highway No. 8, 8 miles.
 12. Chambers Corners to Fort Erie, 28 miles.
 13. St. Catharines to Alanburg, 6.5 miles.
 14. Queenston to International Bridge, 5 miles.
 15. Port Nelson to Nelson Corner on Dundas street, 3 miles.
 16. Palermo to Milton, 8 miles.
 17. Brampton to Thornhill, 22.5 miles.
 18. Langstaff to Brooklyn, 24 miles.
 19. Sunderland to Orillia, 23 miles.
 20. Lindsay to Peterboro, 26 miles.
 21. Smith's Falls to Brockville, 28 miles.
 22. Carleton Place to Arnprior, 24 miles.

Port Colborne.—The Garrison Road, main traffic artery from the new Peaco Bridge at Fort Erie, will be taken over by the Province, and paved for 26 miles west of the Niagara River in this spring. This is assured, with the passage of an Order-in-Council by the Provincial Government giving the necessary authority to proceed with the work.

MISSIONARIES ARE DRIVEN FROM CHENG TU

General Anti-Imperialist Demonstration Threatens Britishers in Large Region.

Hankow.—Thirty foreigners, chiefly British missionaries, have been driven from Liuyang, Hunan Province, thirty miles east of Changsha, by farmers and students, in pursuance of the general anti-Imperialist demonstration. They were not given time to assemble their belongings, and arrived afoot at Changsha Wednesday night.

The American steamer Chinan arrived at Chungking with thirty odd British driven from Chengtu. The boycott in Szechuan Province is extending to all nationalities, with shops refusing to sell food to foreigners. The American Consul is reported to have commandeered an American ship, grounded at Wansien, in order to prevent its capture by General Yang-sen's troops. The British warship Teal is endeavoring to float the ship.

General Yang-sen's troops continue to arrive in the Shashi region for a drive upon Changsha, compelling the Cantonese to retreat along the Nanchang Railway.

Bad Blaze at Sudbury Causes Damage of \$50,000

Sudbury.—Fire which broke out at a late hour Wednesday night, raging until early next morning, incurred a loss totaling \$50,000 to four business houses in the town. Breaking out in the basement of Haggars' restaurant, Durham street, the flames spread to Lorne Fowler's hardware store. Haggars' clothing store and the new American Cafe, and also to the new American Hotel, where slight smoke damage was done.

Bed of Atlantic Rising, Oceanographers Find

The belief that the whole southern Atlantic Ocean bed is undergoing a vast submarine convulsion follows the recent discovery that the Atlantic's floor has risen two miles in the vicinity of St. Helena in the last twenty-five years. A cable ship repairing a break found 660 fathoms of water where the depths chart indicated 2,700 fathoms. Oceanographers say that such changes synchronize with earthquakes.

THREE CANADIANS GET BRAVERY AWARDS

Carnegie Commission Bestows Medals for Heroic Acts.

Pittsburg, Pa.—Three awards to Canadians for bravery were announced here by the Carnegie Her Fund Commission. Phyllis K. Perry, of 685 Clifton avenue, Niagara Falls, Ont., and Lincoln Andrew Tutty, of Nira, N.S., receive bronze medals for saving persons from drowning, while a bronze medal, awarded to Herbert H. Freeland of Toronto, who lost his life saving three persons lives in a runaway accident, has been given to Freeland's son, Earl W. H. Freeland, of 786 Weston road, Toronto.

Phyllis K. Perry, who is 15 years old, saved Wilma E. and Ora C. Barry, aged 17 and 11, respectively, from drowning at Chippawa, Ont., on August 10, 1921. Wilma dived from a rock at the bank into the Niagara River, swam a few strokes and then called for help, according to the citation of the award. Ora, who could not swim, extended her hand to Wilma, got into deep water and grasped Wilma around the waist. Miss Perry swam 20 feet to the girls and after a brief struggle she swam 20 feet with them to wadable water.

Lincoln Andrew Tutty, 11 years old, saved Hugh C. Macdonald, aged 10, from drowning at Nira, N.S., on June 30, 1923. Hugh and three younger children were playing in a boat on a pond and when they were 15 feet from the bank, Hugh fell overboard into the water over his depth. Lincoln, who was a poor swimmer, started from the bank to wade toward Hugh, but he became frightened and turned back toward the bank. He looked back at Hugh, who was struggling, and again waded toward him. When he was almost within reach of Hugh, he stepped into deep water and pitched forward close to him. Hugh grasped Lincoln's fingers tightly. Lincoln freed himself, took hold of Hugh and swam with him four feet to wadable water.

Herbert H. Freeland, aged 28, sustained fatal injuries saving Christina, John G. and Elizabeth Carroll, aged 27, three and seven months, respectively, from a runaway at Toronto, Ont., on March 25, 1924. Mrs. Carroll was walking on the sidewalk with John and wheeled Elizabeth, when a horse drawing a wagon was not more than 20 feet away and galloping toward them. Freeland ran 45 feet, facing the horse and passing Mrs. Carroll, and as he sprang to take hold of the horse five feet beyond Mrs. Carroll, he collided with the horse, diverting its course. He was thrown to the street and his skull was fractured. He died about two and a half hours later from his injuries.

St. Lawrence Waterway Favored Against Canal Plan

Washington.—The St. Lawrence waterway project has bobbed up again with the filing of a report by army engineers adverse to the alternative scheme of an all-United States canal across New York State.

Government Again Forced to Kill 2,000 Buffaloes

Ottawa.—Two thousand buffaloes now in Wainwright National Park are to be killed by orders of the Dept. of the Interior. In the past three years the buffalo population of the park has increased so rapidly that it has been found necessary to resort to killing some of the animals, and shipping others north to the wood buffalo park, where they are able to live off the land.

THE MARKETS

TORONTO

Man. wheat—No. 1 North, \$1.52; No. 2 North, \$1.48; No. 3 North, \$1.43.
Man. oats—No. 2 CW nominal; No. 3, not quoted; No. 1 feed, 61c; No. 2 feed, nominal; Western grain quotations in c.i.f. ports.
Am. corn, track, Toronto—No. 2 yellow, 95c; No. 3 yellow, 91c.
Millfeed—Del. Montreal, freights, bags included; Bran, per ton, \$27.25; shorts, per ton, \$29.25; middlings, \$41.25; good feed flour, per bag, \$2.30.
Ontario oats, 48 to 60c, f.o.b. shipping points.
Ont. good milling wheat—\$1.80 to \$1.92, f.o.b. shipping points according to freights.
Barley—Malting, 60 to 64c.
Buckwheat—85c, nominal.
Rye—No. 2, 91c.
Man. flour—First pat., \$8.20; Toronto, do, 2nd pat., \$7.70.
Ont. flour—Toronto, 90 per cent patent, per barrel, in carlots, per cent \$5.80; seaboard, in bulk, \$5.95.
Cheese—New, large, 20 to 20½c; twins, 20½ to 21c; triplets, 22c. Stiltons, 23c. Old, large, 26c; twins, 27c; triplets, 28c. Old Stiltons, 30c.
Butter—Finest creamery—prints, 36 to 37c; No. 1 creamery, 35 to 36c; No. 2, 34 to 35c. Dairy prints, 29½ to 30c.
Eggs—Fresh extras, in cartons, 58 to 59c; fresh extras, loose, 56 to 57c; fresh firsts, 47 to 48c; fresh seconds, 35 to 36c. Storage extras, 44c; do, firsts, 41c; do, seconds, 36 to 37c.
Poultry—dressed—Chicken, spring squabs, 1 to 1½ lbs., 32 to 33c; do, spring, over 1½ lbs., 30 to 32c; do, spring, 3 to 4 lbs., 32 to 35c; do, 2½ to 3½ lbs., 30 to 33c; do, 2 to 2½ lbs., 30c; hens, over 5 lbs., 28c; do, 4 to 5 lbs., 26c; do, 3 to 4 lbs., 24c; roosters, 22c; turkeys, 40c; ducklings, 5 lbs. and up, 35c.

Beans—Can. hand-picked, \$3 per bushel; primes, \$2.65 to \$2.75.
Maple syrup—Syrup, per Imp. gal., \$2.25 to \$2.30; per 5-gal., \$2.15 to \$2.25 per gal. maple sugar, 1b., 25 to 26c.
Honey—60-lb. tins, 12½ to 13c; 10-lb. tins, 12½ to 13c; 5-lb. tins, 13 to 13½c; 2½-lb. tins, 13½ to 14c.
Comb honey—\$3.40 to \$4 per dozen.
Heavy steers, choice, \$6.50 to \$6.75; do, good, \$6.25 to \$6.50; butcher steers, choice, \$6.25 to \$6.50; do, good, \$6 to \$6.25; do, com., \$4.50 to \$5.50; butcher cows, choice, \$4.75 to \$5; do, fair to good, \$3.75 to \$4.50; butchers' bulls, good, \$4.50 to \$5.50; hogs, \$3.50 to \$4; canners and cutters, \$2.25 to \$3; good milk cows, \$7 to \$10; springers, choice, \$8 to \$11; med. cows, \$4.5 to \$6.9; feeders, good, \$6 to \$6.50; do, fair, \$5 to \$6; do, med., \$7 to \$9; calves, choice, \$12.50 to \$15.50; do, good, \$9 to \$12; do, med., \$6.50 to \$9; grassers, \$4.50 to \$6; good lambs, \$11.75 to \$12; do, bucks, \$9 to \$9.75; good light sheep, \$6.50 to \$7.50; heavy sheep and bucks, \$4; hogs, thick smooths, fed and watered, \$11.50; do, f.o.b., \$11.25; do, country, \$11; do, off cars, \$12.25; select premium, \$2.32.

MONTREAL

Oats, CW, No. 2, 71½c; do, CW, No. 3, 67½c. Flour—Man. spring wheat patents, 88.20; do, 2nds, \$7.70; do, strong bakers, \$7.50; winter patents, choice, \$6.60 to \$6.70. Rolled oats, bag 90 lbs., \$3.75; Bran, \$28.25. Shorts, \$30.25. Middlings, \$41.25. Hay, No. 2, per ton, car lots, \$14 to \$15.
Cheese, finest wets, 18 to 18½c; finest easts, 17½c. Butter, No. 1, pasteurized, 34 to 34½c. Eggs, storage extras, 42 to 43c; storage firsts, 38 to 39c; storage seconds, 33 to 34c; fresh extras, 55c; fresh firsts, 47c.
Lambs, \$11; calves, fairly good veals, \$11 to \$12; grassers, \$4; hogs, med. and poor quality, \$12.25 to \$12.50; Sows, \$9 to \$9.50.

Big Timber Deal Put Through in Canada

The Chaleur Bay Mills Company, with head offices at Sherbrooke, Que., has sold the greatest part of its assets to the International Paper Company at a price understood to be \$1,800,000, of which \$1,000,000 was paid in cash. Among the property owned by this company is 465 square miles of timber limits, as well as real estate, and a saw mill with a capacity of 1,000,000 feet of lumber weekly. The company also has a chain of stores and practically owns the town of Ste. Anne de Restigouche, which comprises about sixty houses. It is understood that the International Paper Company intends building a pulp mill in the neighborhood of the properties just acquired.

Mail Plane Crashes Into Senator's House

Victoria, B.C.—Gerald Smith, substitute for Eddie Hubbard of Seattle, Washington, air mail pilot, crashed in his seaplane here when the machine got out of control and struck in the grounds of Senator R. F. Green's residence. Part of the Senator's breakfast room was demolished. Smith was injured, but not seriously.
Mrs. Green's escape was miraculous, as the wing of the plane was within inches of her head when it struck the house and buckled up, smashing a window three feet from her.
Senator Green rushed outside to help the aviator, who was under the wreckage.

Donor of Chequers Estate Is Given Royal Residence

London.—King George has presented a life lease of the Royal residence, White Lodge, at Richmond, to Lord Lee of Farnham, who gave Chequers in 1928 as a country home for British Premiers. White Lodge was the Duke of York.