

A THRILLING RESCUE MADE

Montreal Fire Lieutenant Entombed in Burning Building

WHEN FLOORS CAVED IN

Spot Where He Was Trapped Deluged With Water--Rescue Took Six Hours.

Montreal, Jan. 29.—After having been entombed in the wreckage of the flaming building of Poulin and Co., for six hours, Lieut. Desjardines of the Montreal fire brigade was rescued alive at 2.45 o'clock this morning and taken to hospital.

The lieutenant was attempting to take a line of hose into the interior of the building last night and was caught when two floors caved in. He was completely buried in debris.

At first it looked as though he could not escape, but his comrades worked heroically to get to him. He called out to them encouragingly, but their progress was slow owing to smoke and heat.

As the hours passed, Desjardines' voice grew weaker and the workers began to despair of reaching him in time. The spot where the lieutenant was trapped was deluged with water and this afforded him relief.

Eventually the workers were rewarded, when on raising some boards they found Desjardines lying wedged down by pieces of timbers and rubbish.

A general alarm brought four hundred firemen to the scene. Seven other firemen were trapped in the crumbling building, but all were rescued with little trouble with the exception of Desjardines. The building was destroyed.

The fire in which so many firemen risked their lives was one of the worst that the downtown district has witnessed in some years, and caused the loss of about a million and a half dollars. Premises of twenty-six firms, of the Poulin building were gutted, and \$100,000 damage done to the premises adjoining, owned by the fur firm of A. J. Alexander Ltd.

Lieut. Desjardines, is said to be at death's door in the general hospital.

TOOK UP COLLECTION IN OBSERVATION CAR

Passengers Were Pleased With Sermon in Saskatoon Heard Over Radio.

Montreal, Jan. 29.—That old joke about Scotsmen preferring church service by radio, because there is no collection plate attached thereto, will have to be discarded. A report has been received at headquarters of the Canadian National Railways from William Stapleton, district passenger agent at Saskatoon, that when the Continental Limited, the trans-continental passenger train of the system, was approaching Saskatoon last Sunday morning, the radio operator on board tuned in on a service being broadcast from Westminster Presbyterian church in Saskatoon.

The sermon by Rev. George A. Dixon, of Knox church, Calgary, who was preaching in the Westminster church, so delighted the passengers in the radio observation car that a collection was taken up and sent to the minister of the Westminster church when the train reached Saskatoon shortly after noon.

TO PRESERVE FORESTS.

Hon. Charles Stewart Gives Assurance to Association.

Ottawa, Jan. 29.—Expressing the opinion that more had been done in the last ten years to conserve Canadian forests than had ever been done before, Hon. Charles Stewart, minister of the interior, assured the Canadian Forestry Association last night that the Federal Government intends to co-ordinate in the future all the technical and practical facilities in the dominion for the preservation and increase of forestry assets.



MUSSOLINI'S SUCCESSOR? Rumors are flying in Paris that Mussolini is soon to fall.

ASSASSIN FIRES ON REGENT OF HUNGARY

Paris, Jan. 29.—A despatch to the Herald from Budapest says a shot was fired at Admiral Honthy, regent of Hungary, as he was sitting in a suburban train in Budapest station yesterday. The bullet missed its objective. The assailant escaped.

BANDIT FELLED BANK MANAGER IN MONTREAL

Montreal, Jan. 29.—A lone bandit attacked the manager of the branch of the Banque d'Hochelaga at Ste. Anne de Bellevue, at 12.30 yesterday afternoon and robbed the bank of a sum of money estimated at \$3,000. The bank official was found later by a client and was brought to Montreal and taken to the Notre Dame Hospital, where it was reported last night that his condition was not serious. He is suffering from bruises on the head.

Physician to Contest Charge of Negligence

Patterson, Md., Jan. 29.—Charging Dr. William H. Jacob with having sewed a towel in her body while performing a caesarian operation on her June 3rd last, Mrs. Mary Vanlenten and her husband, Charles Vanlenten of this city filed suit yesterday against the physician for the recovery of 50,000 damages.

Roof of a Bank Collapses; Eighteen Believed Killed

Santiago, Chile, Jan. 29.—Eighteen persons are believed to have been killed when the roof of the Pinar Credit Bank suddenly collapsed yesterday, burying under it the employees at work and several clients.

Dr. Sun Yat Sen's Condition Satisfactory

Peking, Jan. 29.—Dr. Sun Yat Sen, leader of the government of southern China, who underwent an operation for cancer recently, spent a comfortable night and was not in pain this morning. Physicians pronounced his condition satisfactory.

QUEBEC GATES THROWN OPEN

To Welcome Over 350 Citizens of Province of Ontario.

ROYAL ENTERTAINMENT

Prepared for the Visitors to French Canada--Kingston Represented in Party.

Quebec, Jan. 29.—The gates of the ancient capital were thrown wide open at noon today to receive more than 350 citizens of Ontario, imbued with a spirit of good will and mutual understanding, anxious to bring to French Canada the most cordial of greetings from the sister English province.

The mission is headed by Lieut. Governor Cockshutt and Premier G. Howard Ferguson. There are several Ontario cabinet ministers in the party.

Other prominent members of the party were, Sir Joseph Flavelle, Sir John Aird, George A. Dohie, Galt, George Menace, president of the Board of Trade, Owen Sound; Major General Sir A. C. Macdonell, Kingston; H. Poutin, K.C., president of Ontario Bar Association, Belleville; J. J. Turner, mayor of Peterboro; W. B. Springer, Belleville, and Dr. R. Bruce Taylor, principal of Queen's University, Kingston.

WHOLE FAMILY POISONED.

Father Dead and Wife and Three Children Ill.

Windsor, Ont., Jan. 29.—John Campbell, forty-five years old, of Tecumseh, near here, is dead and his wife and three children are seriously ill in a hospital here as a result, it is believed, of poisoning contracted from some food they had eaten.

LIBERALS OF BRITAIN

Lloyd George Says He Still Accepts the Veteran's Leadership Without Reserve.

London, Jan. 29.—Rumors have been widely prevalent since the announcement of former Premier Asquith's election to the peerage that he would relinquish the active leadership of the Liberal party.

120 APPLICANTS.

Job of French Translator to Commons a Popular One.

Ottawa, Jan. 29.—The job of French translator in the House of Commons is evidently a popular one. Owing to retirements under the Calder Act and a couple of promotions, there are six vacancies to be filled immediately. For these positions the Civil Service Commission has received a hundred and twenty applications.

HAMILTON CASE DISMISSED.

Toronto, Jan. 29.—Justice Mowat at Osgoode Hall yesterday granted a motion to dismiss with costs an action against the city of Hamilton entered by the owners of six Hamilton rooming houses closed in 1919 by order of the civic health department.

Many Vineyards and Orchards In Caucasus Ruined By Cold

Batum, Georgia, Jan. 29.—Vineyards and orchards valued at millions of dollars have been destroyed by the severely cold temperature which prevails throughout the Caucasus. The famous Abundant vineyards in northern Caucasus, which have supplied Russia with its finest champagne, are completely ruined.

MISSING PIANIST IS AT FRIEND'S HOME

New York, Jan. 29.—Ethel Leginska, noted pianist, whose disappearance Monday night while an audience awaited her at Carnegie hall mystified police, is staying at the home of a friend in this city.

MAKES A NEW RECORD IN MOTORLESS PLANE

St. Remi, France, Jan. 29.—Lieut. Thoret yesterday made a new record in a flight with a passenger in a motorless plane at the inauguration of the new flying field of the Latre aviation school. The aviator remained aloft two hours and twenty minutes.

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APPEAL IN O.T.A. CASE.

Windsor Magistrate's Ruling to Be Tested.

DOMINIONS MUST HELP IN DEFENSE SAYS AMERY

Declares Co-operation Also Necessary in Foreign and Economic Fields.

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Chicago, Jan. 29.—Buying of millions of bushels of May wheat by the general public and by foreigners for delivery yesterday drove prices up to \$2.05 7-8, the highest prices in over six years under normal conditions, and the market closed at \$2.04 3-4 to \$2.05, a net gain of 5 3-4 cents for the day.

TO MAKE NO ARRESTS

In Connection With the Grocery Robbery at Napanee.

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Toronto, Jan. 29.—The United Church of Canada will have more than 700,000 communicant members on the consummation of the union of Methodist Presbyterian and Congregational denominations, after June 10th next, after making all allowances for all probable non-concurrent churches with their members who will remain with the continuing Presbyterian Church.

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