

Expedition To Make History

(By British United Press) LONDON, May 9.—At an age when most men are thinking of retirement and an extra-comfortable saloon car, a tall, quiet-voiced man at Australia House is working night and day on his last great adventure—an expedition to the Antarctic that will make world history.

His name is Sir Douglas Mawson, and he knows more about and has suffered more in quest of the vast ice-bound continent that is the South Pole than any other living man.

He led the Australasian Antarctic Expedition in 1911-14, putting 1,000 miles of new coastline on the map, and now, at the age of forty-six, he is leading forty men there again, and the British Government have lent him Scott's old ship, the Discovery, for two years.

Ostensibly the trip is to chart further great gaps along the coastline and to study the life and habits of the whale for commercial reasons. In the mind of Sir Douglas, however, it is a greater and much more far-reaching mission. He thinks it is high time that the vast wealth of that great district was tapped. His expedition will go down in history as the first step in the direction of making possible settlements in the region of the South Pole—settlements not merely for the fishing, which is probably the richest in the world but for mining the vast mineral resources in which the country there must abound.

Until the year 1903 the foot of man had never trodden the Antarctic continent. A year or two hence it is highly probable that not only men but women will live there.

About the middle of August our ship will be ready, "says Sir Douglas," and we will be slipping out of the West India Docks for the country directly south of Australia, between Ross Sea and Enderby Island. It is really a continuation of my last

cruse. We shall make extensive studies of depths and the coastline, of the mineral resources and the life of the water. "No kind of life, save that of minute insects living among the lichens in the rock outcrops, exists on the land, of course. "No animals have ever been able to bridge the sea which completely cuts the South Pole country off from the other great land masses. The sea, however, positively teems with life of all kinds, and it is high time we learned how to utilize its great resources.

"Do I want to go back there? Well," he paused thoughtfully, almost dreamily, "until you have actually cruised in waters and seen country that no human being has ever seen before, you can get no idea of the real wonder of travelling. It is all so gloriously remote from any other experience life can afford, and it is natural that it should call you back. "In thinking of the Pole," he continued, "you have to appreciate an atmosphere totally devoid of dust motes or germs of any description and a world full of colour that if an artist tried to depict it the world would come to the conclusion that he had gone suddenly mad."

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Central Guardian

ON SUNDAY, May 12th, there will be service in the Borden Hall at 11 a. m., and in the Presbyterian Church, Tryon, at 7 p. m. Mr. Edwin White will conduct the services.

LAI'D UP IN HALIFAX—The car ferry Prince Edward Island, operating between Borden and Cape Tormentina has gone to Halifax to enter drydock for her annual spring overhauling. During the time the steamer is being put into shape for the work of the summer and fall the ferry Scotia is being substituted.

LIQUOR SEIZURES—While prohibition inspectors Haywood and Piatta, accompanied by police officers Jay and Biggar, were making an entry through a gangway to premises at Sydney street they encountered two men with whom they got into a tussle, one of the men being injured sufficiently to require a doctor's attention. The suspected premises were later searched and a quantity of liquor was found. The case will be aired in the Police Court Tuesday morning. Two other seizures are also reported to have taken place Wednesday.

SPLENDID SUCCESS—The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Protestant Orphanage are receiving hearty congratulations on the splendid financial success of their play "The Road Back" presented in the Prince Edward Theatre this week. From the proceeds they are able to deposit with the trustee board the magnificent sum of \$1045. So far as is known this is the largest net amount which has resulted from any show that has been put on here for some time. Not only was it a financial success but a dramatic success as well and the Ladies' Auxiliary are deeply grateful to Miss Barbara MacNeill, the director, and the artists who took part.

PERSONALS

Dr. and Mrs. H. D. Johnson leave Saturday morning for Montreal and Ottawa, where Dr. Johnson will attend the annual meeting of the Canadian Red Cross Society.

WESTERN GUARDIAN

—ON SUNDAY, May 12, there will be service in the Presbyterian Church, Alberton, at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m. Mr. Roy Blair, B. A., of Princeton will preach.

NEW YORK, May 9—Directors of General Motors Corporation declared an extra dividend of 30 cents a share on the common stock in addition to the regular quarterly dividend of 75 cents. Usual payments on the senior stocks were also authorized.

BIRTHS

MURRAY—At Charlottetown, on May 9th, 1929, to Mr. and Mrs. W. Keir Murray, 260 1-2 Grafton Street, a daughter.

POPE—At the Prince County Hospital on May 6th, to Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Pope, Summerside, twins, son and daughter.

DEATHS

CLARKIN—In this City, on May 9th Mrs. Margaret Clarkin, age 67 years. Funeral from her late residence, 68 Great George Street, Saturday morning at 8:45 o'clock to St. Dunstan's Cathedral, thence to the R. C. Cemetery.

MALONEY—At Rockland, Mass., May 3, 1929, John Maloney, aged 58, leaving to mourn three sisters, Mrs. E. McDonald, Charlottetown; Mrs. D. McDonald and Mrs. J. J. Merry, Moncton.

MACKINNON—At Dorchester, Mass., April 21st, John A. MacKinnon, aged 61 years, eldest son of the late Neil MacKinnon, Milton, P. E. I.

In Memoriam

In loving memory of Mrs. Daris Garrett died May 9, 1928. In a graveyard softly sleeping, Where the gentle flowers wave Lies the one we love so dearly, In her silent, lonely grave. Those who love you sadly miss you, As it dawns another year, In the lonely hours of thinking, Thoughts of you are very dear. Inserted by Her Husband and Family. 3718.

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COLONIAL PRESBYTERY OF P. E. I.

The Colonial Presbytery of Prince Edward Island in connection with the Church of Scotland met in special session last week within the Kirk, at Cambridge, Mass. Rev. J. W. S. Lowry, presided as Moderator, and constituted the meeting with devotional exercises. Rev. Ewen McDougall was Clerk to the meeting and read the minutes of two previous meetings, which were confirmed and duly signed. There were present also, Messrs. Wm. Stymette, L. J. Bishop, George Boyce and George MacDougall, elders. Mr. P. J. MacDonald and Rev. D. V. O'Meara, being present, were cordially invited to sit as corresponding members. Reports were received from the different parishes and preaching places under the care of the Presbytery and it was agreed that Quincy and Lonsdale should be maintained as a united mission station and granted representation in the Presbytery. The Moderator, in the name of his own congregation cordially welcomed the Presbytery to Cambridge and made some reference to the great world-wide Presbyterian Congress to meet in Boston, June 19 to 28 next, and several of those present signified their purpose to attend the meetings of the Council. It was agreed that Rev. Mr. Lowry should attend, as representing the Colonial Branch of the Church, at the great Union of the United Free Church of Scotland with the Established Church of Scotland at Edinburgh, in the autumn of this year, and the Clerk was instructed to furnish him with the necessary credentials. The meeting was then adjourned, the Moderator pronouncing the apostolic benediction.

Object To Death

LONDON, May 9.—People whose surname is "Death" regard it with disfavour. A butcher of Victoria, in the S. W. District of London, has just changed his name from Death to De Ath.

"We found that people were making fun of us," he explained. Being butchers such a name caused comment, so we altered it to De Ath."

Many people who have been superstitious or embarrassed by the name have changed it. There are any number of De Aths, de Aths, d'Atths, d'EAths, but very few Deaths.

One of the most famous was the late Jolly Death, a Putney inquiry agent. He was the victim of so many telephone jokes that he had to keep a check on his calls and trace offenders.

There are many instances of the association of morbid names. Years ago a refreshment house in Summerlane, Birmingham, bore the sign "Death's Eating House."

Guests at a dinner party have been known to bear the names of Death, Coffin, Graves and Tombs.

Crops Destroyed By Flood Waters

(Special to The Guardian) BAGDAD, May 9—Thousands of acres of excellent winter crops have been destroyed by the flood waters of the river Tigris which has risen to a height unknown for fifty years. There are many breaches in the river banks and torrents are pouring across fertile fields which were ready for harvesting. The town of Ramadi is isolated, and natives living near the river banks are working feverishly day and night repairing and strengthening the dikes. The usual overland mail route from Bagdad to Ramadi has been cut and cars must take a detour of a hundred miles. Flood waters are now threatening the Bagdad to Basra railroad.

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P. E. Islanders Here and There In California

IN LOS ANGELES

Mrs. Lillian E. Breitholle, who halls from Peake's Station, P. E. I., is in Hollywood. Her maiden name was Lillian Curran. Her husband, a native of Richmond, Indiana, is a stock broker. They are 34 years in California and enjoy every modern comfort. They have a son and daughter. Helen is a graduate of Holy Name College, Oakland, and is now studying in the University of California to be a teacher of the liberal arts. William studied two years at St. Mary's College, Oakland, and now attends Loyola College in Los Angeles.

IN INGLEWOOD

Montague, P. E. I., is well represented in Inglewood in the person of Elliot Fraser, who has been 23 years in the Golden State. He is a high school janitor in Inglewood, and very popular among the students. The maiden name of Mrs. Fraser was Melissa McDonald, daughter of John R. McDonald of Pictou, N. S. They live very comfortably. They have two sons and one daughter. The daughter is a music teacher in Inglewood.

Mrs. Roderick F. McIsaac, widow, of Bear River, P. E. I., lives very comfortably in Inglewood. Her husband was a native of Rock Barre, P. E. I., and passed away on November 9, 1925. He was for a period of years at Leadville, Colorado. They were married there. Mrs. Roderick McIsaac has four sons, and they all have good jobs. They are very good to their mother. Mrs. Roderick McIsaac is a sister of Joe McDonald of Inglewood. Their mother died on March 3 at Bear River, P. E. I.

Joe N. McDonald, of Inglewood, is a builder and contractor. It is 32 years since he left the Island. He has been 20 years in the Golden State and has surely made good. He owns a splendid home. He was a resident of Leadville, Colorado, a period of years. He has an uncle in Oakland, namely, Martin McDonald. The maiden name of Mrs. Joe McDonald was Marie Fortier. She is a daughter of the late Elzear Fortier, who was a native of Quebec, but lived 50 years in Chicago. He died a year ago. Her widowed mother lives with her. They are a most happy family.

Many people of Charlottetown, P. E. I., will remember the late Isaac W. Wadman, who was the leading undertaker of the city. I met his son, Clement, in Redondo Beach. His wife, who was a native of Colorado, passed away at Inglewood four years ago. He remembers when Leadville, Colorado, had over 500 people from the Maritime Provinces. He remembers Curley Dan MacDonald of Bras d'Or Lake, Cape Breton, who used to live in Denver, Colo., some 45 years ago. He was a giant of a man and very powerful in strength. There are few places around the Maritime Provinces and especially Cape Breton, but what Clement Wadman visited.

"Meet anyone between Murray Harbor and the Half Way House, P. E. I.," said he, "and call him McDonald, and you're safe to get away with it." He has an only daughter who lives at Mountain View, Calif. She is Miss Nelly Wadman.

IN LOS ANGELES

Mrs. A. L. Airth of Los Angeles halls from Greenville, Cumberland County, N. S. Her husband, who was a native of Toronto, died 20 years ago. Mrs. Airth's maiden name was Laura Moore. She visited Nova Scotia 18 years ago. Her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Moore, is hale and well at the age of 87 years, and lives on the old homestead at North Greenville, N. S. Mrs. Airth's youngest son is a student of the University of California. A granddaughter of Mrs. Airth lives with her. This granddaughter's father was Mike J. McDonald of Charlottetown, P. E. I.

A daughter of James MacPherson and of Catherine Carver of Lyndale, Queen's County, P. E. I., is comfortably situated in Los Angeles. She is Mrs. May Hoffman. Herman Carver, first cousin of Mrs. Hoffman, was visiting the Hoffmans when I called. He has been five years in the Golden State.

People of Charlottetown, P. E. I., will remember the late Daniel MacKinnon, who immigrated to Seattle, Wash., some 46 years ago, and died there two years ago. Mrs. Daniel MacKinnon was Sarah Beaven and was 96 years of age when she passed away two years ago. Dr. John MacKinnon of Seattle, who died two

Colorful Tale Unfolded In "Overland Telegraph"

Tim McCoy, famous star of adventure drama and Western thriller, seems at his best when playing against the stoic background of the American Indian. In his latest romance he has this background, mixed with the political machinations of the modern white man, in a vivid drama of an achievement that reads an inspiring page in history.

"The Overland Telegraph," McCoy's new picture now playing at the Capitol Theatre, takes for its theme one of the greatest events in American history—the building of the first transcontinental telegraph. How this was constructed by linemen working under army guard, while at Washington Lincoln awaited its completion to get in touch with the Western states, is vividly shown, together with the work of Confederate influences inciting the Indians to battle the onward march of progress.

Over the lines, where today air-mail planes fly, the workmen pushed the copper line of communication. This work, and the thrilling battles and adventures that marked it, make an intensely dramatic story. McCoy, as the young Union officer guarding the workers as, pole by pole they advanced their line, has a remarkably appropriate part. His daring horsemanship, the thrilling battles and the desperate conflict with Lawford Davidson, the historic scene in which Lincoln receives the first message, and a charming love story that runs through the play, all add to its effectiveness.

Dorothy Janis makes a singularly beautiful heroine, while Lawford Davidson plays the villain and Frank Rice contributes the comedy. Clarence Geldert, as the General, and Joe Mills, who plays Lincoln, have important roles. John Waters directed the picture with many artistic touches embellishing its thrills and drama.

The gorgeous setting of Glacier National Park is the background, and the Blackfoot Indians appearing, add mystery and thrills to the vivid tale. Their battle with the cavalry troop is a spectacular highlight to the story.

Skeleton Of Criminal Dug Up

(By British United Press) MELBOURNE, May 9.—Workmen excavating the stone-flagged wall of the old Melbourne gaol, which is being converted into an engineering college, have unearthed the skeleton of Ned Kelly, Australia's most notorious bushranger, who was hanged on November 11, 1880. The skeleton had lain undisturbed for nearly half a century.

Ned Kelly was a man who was behind the times. He and his brother tried to revive the palmy days of the earlier bushranger, but as soon as the first stock of their audacities had passed they were hunted down with comparative ease.

Ned Kelly wore armour of boiler plate, and his methods were in the best of style of the "peppy dreadful" the end of the gang being a battle in which Ned was captured. He was hanged for the murder of a policeman.

MISS MARGARET CLARKIN

The death occurred at the Charlottetown Hospital of Miss Margaret Clarkin after an illness of several weeks. Miss Clarkin had been enjoying her usual good health when she received a fall in her home which resulted in a fractured leg. The shock proved too much and she passed peacefully away this morning.

The late Miss Clarkin was a daughter of the late John Clarkin formerly of Iona, but came to the City with her parents when quite young. She is survived by an only sister, Mrs. John Coyle, Great George Street and with whom she had made her home also three brothers, Owen, Patrick, and Peter, all predeceased her.

Miss Clarkin was a faithful member of St. Dunstan's Cathedral, being seldom absent from morning and evening services. Her funeral takes place Saturday morning from her late residence 68 Great George Street, at eight forty-five to St. Dunstan's Cathedral, thence to the R. C. Cemetery.

years ago, was their son. I met their son Fred in Belvedere Garden, Los Angeles. The latter's wife is a native of Bridgewater, Halifax County, N. S. Her maiden name was Ethel Delinger. Fred MacKinnon has been confined in the hospital the past year. He has a brother, Dan, who lives in New York. They have two sisters living in Seattle. Mrs. Lou Matheson and Mrs. Marion Delina,

Trinity United Church

WEDNESDAY 7:30—United Choir Sabbath School, "The Crucifixion"—Assistant.

Japan Refuses To Pay China

(By British United Press) TOKYO, May 9.—The Japanese army is flatly opposed to any suggestion of the payment of damages to China for property damage and loss of life sustained by Chinese nationals during the Tsinan incident of last May, according to an exclusive statement furnished to the British United Press by an official source in Tokyo.

The attitude in the Sino-Japanese negotiations in Shanghai and Hankow regarding pending question between the two countries apparently has been caused largely by the difference in views about the organization of a committee for investigation of the damage suffered mutually at the time of the Tsinan trouble, the statement asserts, adding that Major General Inoue of the Tokyo War Office recently expressed the view of the Japanese Army in this regard, opposing the Chinese claims for damages during the Tsinan bombardment.

"When the views expressed by both sides (during the present negotiations in Nanking and Shanghai) are compared," the statement says, "it is apparent considerable concessions are necessary if anything is to come from the present parleys. The Chinese cling to the basis of damages and compensation while Japan believes damages suffered by the Chinese during the Tsinan trouble were the result solely of military action which the Japanese garrison in Tsinan was compelled to take as a defensive measure."

A high officer of the Japanese Government, the statement says, expressed the following view of the Tsinan matter: "Japan did not violate the territorial sovereignty of China by sending troops into Tsinan for the protection of Japanese residents there. By treaty Japanese enjoyed the right of residence in Tsinan. That right implies the right to call protection by the Home Government in event the local government has proved incapable of giving such protection. The Nationalist Government of China at that time had been proved incapable of protecting foreigners by the incidents at Nanking and Hankow, where foreigners were attacked by unruly Chinese troops."

The statement then reviews the Tsinan incident as follows: "The Japanese garrison sent to Tsinan to protect Japanese nationals there did not attempt to interfere with the movement of Chinese soldiers or the freedom of civilians before the attack on Japanese began. When the victorious Nationalist army entered Tsinan (on their march northward to capture Peking) the Japanese removed sandbags and barricades, reduced the garrisoned area, and exchanged visits with the staff officers of the Chinese column."

"For a time all was peace with complete friendship between the Japanese and Chinese. Then, taking advantage of the comparatively defenceless position of the Japanese garrison which had resulted from compliance with Chinese requests, the Chinese started looting and murdering Japanese residents."

"Japan certainly had a right to claim damages for this damage inflicted by lawless Chinese soldiers, inasmuch as the action was plain robbery and murder, without provocation by the defenceless Japanese civilians."

"Meanwhile Chinese forces accumulated in and out of the city reaching a number 17 times that of the Japanese garrison by the evening of May 5. Their attitude was hostile and annihilation of the garrison as well as Japanese civilians in Tsinan appeared certain unless measures were taken to clear the city. Our commander repeatedly urged the Nationalist officers to keep their men under control, but was told it was impossible to do so and that we should take such steps as necessary to ensure our own safety. Under these circumstances at 4 p. m. May 5 we ordered the Chinese within Tsinan to evacuate within 15 hours, and at 4 p. m. May 9, sent out scouts to see if our request was being complied with. At 9 p. m. the same day the Chinese troops started firing on our garrison. We had no choice but to defend ourselves and save our civilians. There was severe fighting. The result is shown on the next page."

"It is true that the Chinese forces inflicted damage on both Chinese soldiers and civilians. The Japanese would have been annihilated if they had not done so. They had fresh before them the incidents at Nanking and Hankow where foreigners were attacked by Chinese troops."

"How the Chinese would hold us responsible for damages caused by the action of their own troops, because they suffered the greater damage they apparently desire a compromise to agree the damage suffered

Rotarians To Meet In Halifax

MONCTON, May 9.—Rotarians from the Maritimes and St. John's, Nfld., will gather at Halifax for their district convention May 16th and 17th. The party from St. John's, Nfld., will arrive at North Sydney Tuesday, May 14th and will leave there by Canadian National Railways train that night for Halifax. They will leave Halifax Saturday morning en route home. About twenty five are expected from Newfoundland. Parties from St. John, Moncton, St. Stephen and Fredericton will also attend, being handled by special sleeping cars attached to regular trains.

VAST DEVELOPMENT FORECAST IN WEST

WINNIPEG, May 9.—Millions of dollars may be expended in the northern mineral fields of Manitoba by British investors as a result of the Legislature here adopted a resolution recommending to the Federal Minister of Interior, Hon. Charles Stewart, Ottawa, the granting of a priority right for the development of White Mud Falls as a power site to the British Dominion Power Syndicate of London, England. The resolution was sponsored by Premier John Bracken, and carried by a vote of 11 to 5.

The priority right has been sought on behalf of the syndicate by Sir Reginald Brade, who recently investigated the possibilities of the development of the northern power site. First, it is the intention of the British syndicate to conduct a further survey of the northern fields, which would cost between \$40,000 and \$50,000, and then, if development of the project is declared feasible, to construct the first unit of the power plant, which would be 40,000 horsepower. Under the preliminary plan announced, the company would supply power to the mining companies adjacent to White Mud Falls, possibly including the Towns of Cold Lake and The Pas. Transmission lines would be run to the mineral fields of Hert Lake, File Lake, Limestone Lake and to the Sherritt-Gordon property of Cold Lake.

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by both sides, Japan paying the considerable difference in her favor." The statement then goes on to say that Japan might well claim for China the entire expense of the Japanese Shantung expedition, since the Japanese troops are performing a function which the Chinese Government itself ought to perform, and that Japan also might demand an apology for the attack on her nationals.

Japan has not attempted such courses, however, proposing that both sides drop the matter of damage and apologies in an effort to speed a settlement, the statement says, adding, however, it should be clearly in mind that Japan does not accept blame for the Tsinan fighting which rests with those unruly Chinese soldiers who attacked Japanese civilians and the Japanese garrison.

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