

PLANE DROPS

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When he was picked up some distance from where the fuselage of the plane dropped into the deep water.

"I was flying just above them," Frank Whaley, pilot of the refueling ship, said, "and we were trying to make contact with the Lone Star with our refueling hose.

"The Lone Star dipped down several times to avoid a collision with my plane and was jockeying for a better position when she suddenly turned nose down and darted for the water."

A new type of life preserver which Browne wore on his shoulder kept him afloat. He was placed under an anesthetic while physicians worked on his shoulder.

Browne said he did not jump from the plane, but stayed with her, hoping to bring her nose up. He grabbed a piece of the wing to hold him up. He was in tears when he was picked up by the rescue party, not from pain, he said, but from "disappointment."

A total of 654 gallons of gasoline made Browne's plane weigh about four tons. He had planned to load more gallons from the refueling tank and then make a dash for Tokyo.

It was Browne's second narrow escape from death in two days. Yesterday an oil leak in his motor developed after he had flown several hundred miles toward his goal.

Blinded by hot oil, Browne managed to manoeuvre to a higher altitude until he could recover his vision. When he saw how much oil he was losing he dumped most of his gasoline and returned here. It was only upon his return here that he discovered he had broken a stabilizer wire in grazing a tree on the takeoff. He had noticed the ship was vibrating slightly but had decided to take a chance and proceed.

Fliers here expressed the opinion the tail assembly would have been shaken off before Browne would possibly have reached Tokyo, making his plane unmanageable.

The perilous takeoff yesterday decided Browne in favor of mid-air refueling and a cabin plane was hurriedly fitted up with extra tanks for the attempt today.

Due to Brown's failure to complete the flight, the \$30,000 prize fund raised by Seattle aviation enthusiasts five years ago, will be returned to its donors.

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Many Liberal Candidates Up For Nomination

(Canadian Press)

MONTREAL, May 30.—Eight or nine candidates were in the field today for the Liberal nomination in the forthcoming Malsonneuve by-election for the Dominion seat. P. J. A. Cardin, former Minister of Marine, will call the Liberal convention to order tonight. Joseph Jean, K. C., and Ubald Fortin, school teacher, were favored to eliminate the others.

The Conservative nomination meeting is scheduled for Wednesday.

Wins Honors In Music Contest

(Canadian Press)

Rachel and Madeline Reed, the 11 and 15 year old daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus C. Reed, 18 Buck street, won honors in the annual Junior Club contest of the Massachusetts Federation of Music clubs held Saturday in Steiner hall, Boston.

In the violin contest Rachel Reed was awarded the silver cup and a certificate from the national federation for winning class B for 11 to 12 years. She was accompanied by her sister in playing Tartini's "Sarabanda," and "The Dance of the Marionettes" by Winternitz. This is the second cup she has won in the state contests.

Madeline received first honorable mention in class D of the piano solo class, playing "Courante" by Bach, "Waltz in D Major" by Glazouff and "Song of the Rushes" by Seeling.

Miss Mabel Felch of Seabrook, received honorable mention in the soprano voice class with "The Icicle" by Bassett and "Flower in a Cranberry Wall" by Mason. She was accompanied by Mrs. F. Austin Stowell of this city.

All three girls are members of the Always Be Natural club of this city of which Mrs. Ella Duchemin Nutter of this city and Boston, who is in charge of the contests. Madeline Reed studies with Miss Castellum, Newburyport Daily News.

(The Messes Rachel and Madeline Reed mentioned above are grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Von Clure Gay, City).

Marriage And Sex Discussed

(By Thomas T. Champion, Canadian Press Staff Writer)

LONDON, May 30.—(Canadian Press Cable)—Marriage, divorce and birth control are discussed in the report of a committee of the lower house convocation of Canterbury on resolutions on marriage and sex passed by the Lambeth Conference in 1930. The committee's report, to be presented this week to the convocation in London, had hitherto been held confidential.

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Supreme Court Judgment

(Canadian Press)

JUDGMENT has been handed down in the Supreme Court in the case of George W. Gardner, plaintiff against Murdock N. McLeod, defendant. This was action of damages for trespass to land and was tried before Judge Arsenault, without a jury. By the terms of the judgment, the contents of the plaintiff that the defendant had wrongly erected fences on his property, were upheld and he was also awarded \$50.00 damages. The defendant received damages of \$5.00 on his counterclaim. R. R. Bell for plaintiff and Donald McKinnon K. C. for the defendant.

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The Mayor then referred to the next matter of business, namely, a proposed investigation into alleged improper conduct of police officers at a dance on April 15.

Coun. Hennessey moved "that an investigation of the Charlottetown Police Department be held at the call of His Worship the Mayor."

The Mayor objected that the motion was "too vague." He referred to certain letters of complaint and signed statements he had received of the conduct of two policemen at the dance in question. The Chief of Police had informed him he had referred the matter to the Stipendiary Magistrate. The Mayor was informed later that nothing had been done. On May 6 the police committee met, together with the Stipendiary Magistrate, for the purpose of taking some action. One police officer (named by the Mayor) was called before them and admitted he was intoxicated at the dance. The Police Committee then came before the Council on May 9 and reported there was no evidence against this officer and they had nothing to report; but when Coun. Hennessey brought in a resolution to investigate the matter Coun. Day, a member of the committee, asked what was the use of a further investigation since the man had admitted before the committee that he was drunk. The Mayor thought it was "most improper" for the committee to have reported as it did; it simply encouraged these men to go and do the same thing again.

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Mayor Stewart: "I am not finding fault with you. I think you deserve credit for bringing it to the attention of the Council. All I say is that this way of treating the policemen only tends to make matters worse. I see in the Police report for this morning that an offender was up for driving a car while intoxicated. His bail was estreated for \$50. There is a provision in the law, a quite proper provision, that when a man is found driving a car, intoxicated, his car shall be impounded for three months. I would like to know if that was done in this case."

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Woman Dies In Plane Crash

(AP.)

PORTLAND, Ore., May 30.—A woman registered as Mrs. W. W. Smith, about 25, of Portland, died in the wreckage of a mail passenger plane when it crashed in the Willamette river here today. Dick Glason, the pilot, suffered severe head and back injuries. He was rescued by a harbor patrol boat.

MUCH TALKIE

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members of the Commission appointed by the Government were disqualified from acting on the Commission in a dispute involving the question in issue. These two members, he said, were "interested parties" because, being users of electricity, they had contracts with the Company and the law said no Commissioner should be interested, directly or indirectly, in any public utility. He implied that the Government should have used more discrimination in appointing Commissioners.

Coun. Holman asked if His Worship referred to the Charlottetown members of the Commission. The Mayor replied in the affirmative.

Coun. Holman pointed out that the same objection would apply to any consumer of electric light, or any telephone user. The Act was the same as in the other Provinces, and he had never heard of such objections being raised. In the circumstances it would be extremely difficult to obtain the services of any citizens who were not "interested" in these utilities.

The Mayor admitted this to be the case, but contended that such was the statutory provision. Coun. Holman replied that in view of the importance of the matter, and of the Mayor's objection, the legal status of the Commissioners should be carefully inquired into. This suggestion was agreed to.

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Removes Duty On Foreign Wheat

(By the Canadian Press)

News from Santiago, Chile, to the effect that the duty on foreign wheat had been removed because of the shortage of the local crop and the high prices prevailing there, was received with considerable interest today by the Department of Trade and Commerce. While no official comment could be secured, pending the receipt of more detailed information, it was stated that any circumstance that broadened the market for wheat was significant to Canada.

officer? That is a question I would like to have answered."

Mayor Stewart: "What better evidence do you want than this other man's own statement that he was drunk?"

Coun. Reardon: "He was before the committee on that charge."

Mayor Stewart: "And the chairman reported that there was no evidence against him."

Coun. Reardon: "Why was it necessary to make a report? He was investigated by the committee; the committee saw fit to let him go on with his duties after reprimanding him. If you want a further investigation, why not bring those parties here who say they saw evidence of drunkenness. Personally, I think the reprimand from the police committee was sufficient."

Coun. Hennessey said he intended his motion for an investigation moved at the last monthly meeting, to cover the whole Police Force. A police officer who gets drunk should be suspended—he should be made to work for two or three weeks without pay. The person referred to by the Mayor as having had his bail estreated had walked into the home of the Chief of Police under the impression that he was in a hotel, and the Chief had telephoned to the Police Station and had the man arrested."

Mayor Stewart: "If he was driving a car in that condition, Chief did perfectly right."

Coun. Doull, who had seconded Coun. Hennessey's resolution at the last monthly meeting, said he intended to support a demand for a public investigation. It was necessary, he contended, for the Council to meet publicly. The committee met in private and the Council had the same privilege.

Mayor Stewart said the resolution spoke for itself.

"In that case," countered Coun. Doull, "what right had Your Worship to bring up a matter that happened in the Police Court this morning, which had nothing to do with the resolution? It was entirely out of order."

Mayor Stewart: "I have a right to bring up anything I see fit." Continuing, His Worship said: "Coun. Doull with being 'evidently very scared of a public inquiry.' He, Mayor Stewart, didn't believe in any investigation that was public. There had been 'one hole-and-corner meeting' in connection with the matter, and 'the less have to do with these private investigations the better.'"

\$25,000 VOTE!

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Coun. Strong spoke at some length on the responsibilities of the Council in voting money for any purpose that would necessitate raising taxes of the citizens and argued that to build for additional accommodation for the primary classes was alright. But for secondary education it would only benefit a few for many years to come. A letter was read from the Recorder replying to a question asked by the Council, that it would be perfectly in accordance with the laws of the town to vote the money. Mayo Manson, who was questioned by Coun. Schurman regarding the matter was in favor of voting the money. The motion was put by Coun. McNeill and seconded by Coun. Kelly and supported by Coun. Schurman and Phillips. Coun. Strong voting against it. Motion carried.

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