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TWO BROTHERS ARE DROWNED NEAR SOURIS

RUSSO - JAPANESE TENSION INCREASES

Tragedy Occurs As Brothers Look Helplessly On

COMING EVENTS

- Announcements are inserted in this column at 2 cents per word strictly payable in advance.
- Buying Poultry daily Mc-Guilgan and Boyle. L-861-12-14-61
- Cape Traverse School Concert Wednesday, 22nd. L-148-12-20-11.
- Dunstaffnage School Concert Dec. 22 at 8 o'clock. L-166-12-20-21.
- Concert Cross Roads School, December 22nd. L-148-12-20-11.
- Cherry Valley Concert in the Hall Thursday, December 23rd. L-145-12-20-21.
- Buy your Christmas Gifts and Toys from Mc-Guilgan and Boyle. L-860-12-14-18-20-22.
- School Concert, Emerald Hall, Wednesday, Dec. 22. L-133-12-18-31.
- North Winsloe Christmas Concert Winsloe Hall Dec. 20, 11 Normy Dec. 23rd. L-160.
- Christmas Concert Central Royalty School, Tuesday, December 21st. L-797-12-13-21.
- Hear East Willsboro School children at North River Hall, Monday, December 20th. L-804-12-13-20.
- Buying dressed poultry daily on graded basis and paying highest market prices. Clark Bros., Mon-laque. L-112-12-18-21.
- Buying dressed chicken and fowl Tuesday, Dec. 21st. Highest market prices. Henry Mallett, Fredericton. L-135-12-18-21.
- Come to York Point Concert in School on Thursday night Dec. 23rd. Admission 10 cents. L-182.
- Reserve December 21st for Concert in St. Catharines Hall. Admission 10 cents. Luncheon 10 cents. If not fine, following night. L-781-12-11-20.
- Borden Line Club loading hogs, lambs, calves at Albany every Tuesday, hours 12-3. L-825-12-13-21.
- Come to the Christmas Concert in Long River Hall, Wednesday evening December 22nd. If not fine Thursday. L-120-12-20-21.
- Come to Fairview Christmas School concert in Elliot Hall, Wednesday, Dec. 22nd. L-157-12-20-11.
- School Concert Winsloe South School, Tuesday, December 21st. If not fine following night. L-799-12-13-21.
- Christmas tree and program. Alpha Rebekah Lodge Tuesday night, after regular meeting. L-175.
- Reserve December 21st for Concert in St. Catharines Hall. Admission 10 cents. Luncheon 10 cents. If not fine, following night. L-781-12-11-20.
- St. Eleanor's School Concert in St. Eleanor's Hall Wednesday, December 22nd. Admission 25c and 15c. L-152-12-20-11.
- Christmas Concert in Bunsbury School Wednesday, Dec. 22 at 8 p. m. If not fine following night. Admission 10 cents. L-165-12-20-21.
- Important hockey meeting Town Hall, Borden, Tuesday evening 21st, players from Carleton and Cape Traverse are invited to attend. L-169-12-20-21.
- We will be buying dressed fowl and chickens on a graded basis each Wednesday until further notice beginning December first. C. E. Pratt & Son. L-151-11-29-12-6-13-20-27.
- Borden Line Club loading hogs, lambs and calves Tuesday afternoon December 21st. at Albany, 12-3 o'clock. W. J. Reid, Secretary. L-174-12-20-21.

Eight Killed When Cofferdam Collapses

(C.P. By Guardian's Special Wire) PORT STANLEY, Ont., Dec. 19.—Eight workmen were believed killed tonight when a Cofferdam collapsed in Port Stanley harbor. Ten men were reported rescued. Several were injured, three taken to hospital in St. Thomas. The men were working on the dam preparing foundation of a new bridge across the harbor. Workmen said 13 or 14 men were in the dam, working on the bottom of the harbor, when the top gave way. A number were above. Heavy timbers and steel crashed in upon the workmen in the Cofferdam, carrying also the men from above. Harbor waters engulfed the group and little hope was held the eight unaccounted for would be found alive. Those believed dead: James McFarlane, Port Stanley; Archibald Jones, Port Stanley; James and Joseph Olsen, brothers, St. Thomas; A. Bishy, White Station; E. E. Bishy, White Station; George Beatty, St. Thomas; Douglas Beatty, Union Station.

PREMIER KING AND MINISTERS DENY CHARGES

(C.P. By Guardian's Special Wire) OTTAWA, Dec. 19.—Confidential correspondence between Prime Minister Mackenzie King and Premier Hepburn of Ontario dealing with water of Ottawa and power development will be tabled in the House of Commons. This information was telegraphed to Mr. Hepburn tonight by the Prime Minister replying to a wire from the Ontario Premier dated yesterday, asking permission to publish the confidential letters. OTTAWA, Dec. 19.—The widening rift between the Federal Government and Premier Mitchell Hepburn of Ontario over power export, coupled with confused reports of Quebec and reaction to them across Canada, have overshadowed all other political activities of the past week. Christmas week a time of goodwill and peace among men, finds Prime Minister Mackenzie King facing charges from Mr. Hepburn of attempts to join with United States government interests in forcing Ontario into the St. Lawrence water ways project—charges which the Prime Minister has flatly denied. In Quebec Premier Duplessis, supporting Mr. Hepburn in his demand for license to export power to United States, raised the additional issue of possible Ontario-Guinea-Bissau project. An alliance of which the Maritime Provinces quickly denied knowledge. Seldom in political history has the head of a government spoken as frankly as has Premier Hepburn in his condemnation of the Federal Government's refusal to grant him a power export license. Mr. Mackenzie King's stand has been that no further export licenses will be granted until parliament has had an opportunity to express itself on the policy that should be adopted on this question. Last Thursday he announced that parliament would assemble Jan. 27. Just how parliament will be presented with this subject for debate (Continued on page 3, Col. 3)

Will They Be Forgotten? Santa Pals Will Decide

A visitor to the Santa Pal Department, moved by the effort being made to make Christmas Day "just a little different" for hundreds of needy children, paid tribute to the fine response made thus far and penned the following: "Well, folks—you should see the Santa Pal Department. All kinds of toys, hockey sticks and skates and numerous other articles that will make about 800 children of this city happy on Christmas morning. "But—there are more than 800 children on the Santa Pal list. Just look at the list of them in this paper. And some of them, as yet, have not been provided for and that is where you, as a Santa Pal, may help. "The boys of the Santa Pal Department took me through their headquarters the other day. And a regular Santa Clausy looking place it was. A long table with some things all tied up and ready for delivery to needy children and given to this department by Santa Pals, occupied the center of interest. It is not an easy job, but those working in the Santa Pal Department are sure enjoying it. Those articles not tied up will be within the next two or three days and it is the supreme hope of every Santa Pal worker that not one boy or girl will be missed by Santa Claus on Christmas morning. "Mechanical toys of all descriptions, mouth-organs, dolls, etc., and boxes of candy are all stored in the headquarters. This season, I was told, the list, even at this late, is much larger than last year. As pointed out before, some of these children are not yet provided for. So come on, you Santa Pals that haven't acted yet—let's help out headquarters and make sure that not one child is missed on Christmas Eve." Contributions will be gratefully received by the Santa Pal Fund, The Guardian. A list of needy children appears on page 8. Not much time left—act now!

YESTERDAY'S SANTA PALS
Mrs. Angus F. Beaton, Alexandra. Mr. Percy Jay. The Rector and Faculty of St. Dunstons' College. Jimmie Cameron. Mrs. George Buntain. York, Y. P. S. Mrs. W. H. Frowse. Helen Duffy. Lorraine Outway. Eleanor VanBuskirk. Edison VanBuskirk. Col. K. S. Rogers. Mrs. H. H. Kiggins. Mrs. K. M. Martin. Basilica Boy Scouts. K. Summerside. Mrs. Earle Thomson, Carleton. Moore & McLeod.

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FOREIGNERS ENDANGERED AT TSINGTAO

(A.P. By Guardian's Special Wire) TOKYO, Dec. 19.—Increasing hostility between Japan and the Soviet Union, rather than tension over attacks on British and United States shipping, today was the chief reason for the Japanese public's anxiety over the world situation. The Japanese masses were kept in ignorance of recent developments in the Panay affair. United States charges that Japanese surface craft machine-gunned the little gunboat after she was bombed by Japanese warplanes on the Yangtze River above Nanking have been kept out of newspapers. The public generally believed the Panay crisis had been dispelled. Deep concern over the affair, however, persisted in high official quarters, as was shown by a detailed report made to Emperor Hirohito last night by Premier Prince Fumimaro Konoye. TO MAKE DENIAL Informed sources said the Japanese Government, in replying to United States representations on the Panay, would make a complete denial of the reported machine-gunning by surface craft. Its reply, it was understood, would include comprehensive assurances from the navy that Japan henceforth will refrain from aerial or naval bombardment of any section in which foreign naval or merchant ships might be endangered. Meantime the press gave prominence to mounting troubles with Russia. The Harbin Manchoukuo correspondent of the Tokyo paper Nichi Nichi reported the Russian Far Eastern army was being greatly strengthened, with men, munitions and airplanes being rushed toward the borders of Far Eastern Siberia by the Trans-Siberian railway day and night. The fisheries dispute with Russia developed dangerous possibilities. The Foreign Office announced it had received a communication from an organization of 20,000 Japanese fishermen urging action to safeguard Japan's fishing rights in northern waters. The existing agreement covering Japan's rights to fish in Russia's Far Eastern territorial waters expires at the end of this year. In spite of strong Japanese pressure, Moscow has evaded conclusion of a new agreement, and Japanese leaders have hinted at forcible action. (Continued on Page 3, Col. 5)

Bernard And Charles MacDonald Of Chepstow Perish When Motor Boat Capsizes In Heavy Seas.

Bernard MacDonald, 27, and Charles MacDonald, 23, brothers, were drowned within sight of their home at Chepstow, three miles east of Souris Saturday afternoon when their motor boat capsized as they were attempting to land on a surf-swept beach. The accident took place 50 yards off shore. Two brothers Walter and Ronald MacDonald who had landed a few minutes previously and were preparing to assist their brothers were eye witnesses of the tragedy. The bodies had not been recovered last night. Mounted Police directed dragging operations yesterday and a police cutter assisted. The two victims of the accident had gone out in a 22-foot boat about 9 o'clock Saturday morning to fish cod off North Lake, 15 to 18 miles from their home at Chepstow. Snow squalls began from the south-east at 11 o'clock and the wind increased in velocity and at noon Walter and Ronald MacDonald, two brothers, took a 28-foot boat and went to join their brothers. Both boats approached the shore together about 4:30 in heavy seas and snow. The larger boat went in first, landed on the beach and the two occupants pulled it out of the surf with a capstan which fishermen in the section use for the purpose. The men in the smaller boat were given the signal to come ashore and began to turn towards the beach. Suddenly the watchers on shore saw a huge wave strike the boat and overturn it. As the capsized craft lifted on the crest of the next wave one man was seen clinging to its bottom but when the boat lifted again he was gone. The brothers on shore were unable to launch a dory in the heavy surf and stood helplessly while the overturned motor boat drifted in. They seized it and dragged it out of the surf but both brothers had disappeared. All night the shore was watched for the bodies and yesterday dragging operations were unsuccessful. They will begin again today if the sea is not too rough. The deceased were sons of Mr. Allan J. MacDonald and the late Mrs. MacDonald of Chepstow. Charles was well known in boxing circles in the province. Last summer he took part in the Maritime amateur boxing championship tournament. His brother, Bernard, was under treatment in the Charlottetown Hospital for a considerable time last spring. Both men were unmarried. Surviving besides their father are four brothers and three sisters. Walter, Francis, Ronald and Herbert MacDonald, all of Chepstow; Mrs. Arthur Dixon and Mrs. Harold Dixon of Fortune, and Bernetta MacDonald at Little Harbor. The sympathy of the entire province will go to the family in their great bereavement at this season of the year.

RESIDENCE DESTROYED BY FIRE SATURDAY

Loss Estimated At \$6,000 When Home On Mt. Edward Road Razed By Flames. Fire completely destroyed the residence of Mr. Cecil Mc Jenkins, Mt. Edward road, two miles from Charlottetown, Saturday night. Loss was estimated at approximately \$6,000, partially covered by insurance. City firemen with a chemical engine responded to a call for assistance but were unable to save the house. They assisted neighbors in removing part of the furniture. Fire-fighters were hindered in their efforts when a burned fuse cut off electric current from a booster pump in the water supply system. The building received its water from the nearby CHY reservoir but the pump was necessary to increase pressure. The fire was believed to have originated in a short circuited electric wire where it entered the outside wall of the building. The house had been re-conditioned all through this past summer and fitted with a new heating system. Mr. Jenkins expressed his appreciation of the assistance rendered by City firemen and neighbors during the fire.

EIGHT SOVIET CHIEFS SHOT

High Officials Reported Guilty Of Treason. (By The Associated Press) MOSCOW, Dec. 19.—Execution of eight important officials of long standing in the Soviet regime was announced tonight on the 20th anniversary of the Russian secret political police. The announcement said they were shot for treason. Leo M. Karakhan, formerly vice commissar of foreign affairs, who was recently recalled as ambassador to Turkey, was among those executed. He was first Soviet ambassador to China. A veteran of the revolution and secretary of the Central Executive Committee of the Communist party until 1935, Axel Yenukidez, also faced the firing squad. He was a close friend of Joseph Stalin, a Russian leader, until his disgrace removed from the inner Kremlin circle. They and six others were the latest victims of the purge of suspected enemies within the state. Boris C. Steiger, former Baltic baron and friend of many ambassadors, was among those executed. For 12 years he was attached to the foreign diplomatic corps at Moscow to investigate its members. Tass, official Russian News Agency, reported they were found guilty of terrorist activities and systematic espionage for benefit of an unnamed foreign state. The agency said all the accused pleaded guilty. The others put to death were: V. P. Larin, a crippled old Bolshevik who formerly was a member of the central committee of the Communist party; Vladimir Zukermann, director of the department of western affairs in the foreign office; B. P. Sheboldaief, former chief secretary of the Communist Party for North Caucasus; E. B. Orakelshvili, old Georgian Bolshevik, and A. D. Metelief, whose name was unknown in foreign circles.

Saint John Man Is Fatally Injured

(By The Canadian Press) SAINT JOHN, N. B., Dec. 19.—Struck by a taxi and flung into the path of a second automobile between car tracks near the corner of Main and Acadia Streets Saturday evening, Charles Friars, 78, died in hospital early today. The taxi, operated by Russell Bickerston, struck Friars a glancing blow as it rounded the end of a street car. Closely following the taxi, the second car sped over the injured man, crushing him under the wheels and smashing his head against the curb after dragging the victim on the rear axle. Bystanders vainly waved for the second to stop as Friars lay on the tracks but the driver Elvin McAllister, swung ahead of the taxi. The tram stopped several feet from the body.

NATIONS RUSH AIR DEFENCES

Feverish Rearmament Preparations In Great Britain. (By George Hambleton) (Canadian Press Staff Writer) LONDON, Dec. 19.—Europe's putting back the clock. While armaments pile up in the greatest arms race known to history, country after country is preparing to meet the menace of the air. For the fear of modern war entails preparation of passive defence (protection of the civil population against air and gas attack) no less complete than preparation for action in the field. Paris has an underground air-raid shelter capable of accommodating several thousand people. An underground emergency hospital is fully equipped with 200 beds. A complete laboratory for examining gas bombs has been constructed below ground. Orders and directions from the controlling staff will be despatched from quarters underground. Civil Gas Masks Britain's manufacturing civil gas masks at the rate of 6,500,000 a week. The government now has 23.

No Hope Held For Labor Settlement

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19.—American Federation of Labor and Committee for Industrial Organization leaders have given up any hope of a speedy reunion. Committees from each of the labor camps will go through the motions of holding another peace conference Tuesday, but neither side expects a settlement to result. There was talk tonight that Tuesday's conference might be the last for a long time. The conference has been practically deadlocked since it first convened nearly two months ago. Both William Green, A. F. L. President, and John L. Lewis, C. I. O. chairman, have indicated in recent speeches that neither intend to make any major concession.

Rome And Berlin Strengthen Axis

ROME, Dec. 19.—A number of commercial accords designed to effect still closer Italo-German economic co-operation were signed Saturday by Foreign Minister Ciano and German Ambassador Ulrich Von Hassel. The accords were based on recommendations of the Italo-German economic commission which has studied the production and needs of the two countries with a view to widening the scope of exchange of goods.

Sir James MacBrien Ill In Hospital

TORONTO, Dec. 19.—Condition of Sir James MacBrien, Commissioner of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, was reported as "very well at the moment" by his attending surgeon, Dr. Roscoe Graham, here tonight. Sir James, in hospital for the past several days, was operated upon yesterday. Dr. Graham declined to disclose the nature of the illness. Hospital attendants said Sir James had spent a good day.

Police Continue Murder Inquiry

(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire) SAINT JOHN, N. B., Dec. 19.—While police continued an exhaustive inquiry tonight into the murder of Aaron N. Cohen Friday night, Detective Inspector Patrick F. Biddiscombe said no arrests had been made and no suspects held. More than 50 persons have been questioned at the police station since a burglar shot Cohen, aged 58, at his dry goods store on Prince Edward Street. The merchant was buried today and an inquest will open possibly Tuesday night. Investigators believed two men attempted to rob Cohen just after he transferred almost \$130 from the cash register to his pocket. One shot, gazing him, was not heard outside the store. The burglar, or burglars, fled with Cohen in pursuit and when he was on the street a second bullet pierced his brain. This bullet was fired from a small calibre revolver. Apparently nothing was stolen from the store. Police found the money still in Cohen's pocket.

Halifax Theatre Destroyed By Fire

(C. P. By Guardian's Special Wire) HALIFAX, Dec. 19.—Damage estimated at approximately \$30,000 was caused early today when fire destroyed the Galey Theatre, a wooden structure on the fringe of the downtown district. Owners of the theatre paced their loss at about \$25,000 while the wholesale produce and fruit firm of Nickerson and Crease, next door, suffered about \$5,000 smoke and water damage.

Lord Tweedsmuir's Mother Passes

PEEBLES, Scotland, Dec. 19.—Mrs. Helen Buchan, mother of Lord Tweedsmuir, died today. Before her marriage to Rev. John Buchan, the Governor General's father, Mrs. Buchan was Miss Helen Masterson, daughter of John Masterson, of Broughton Glen, Peebleshire.

Loyalists Pierce Insurgent Defences At Teruel, Report

(A. P. By Guardian's Special Wire) HENDAYE, Dec. 19.—The Spaniards have pierced the defences of Teruel in an offensive against the key city on the insurgent eastern front. The Muela section, one of the most important defensive positions within the city, fell, the Barcelona defence ministry announced. The communists predicted the offensive would result in collapse of the insurgent spearhead which for months has threatened the Madrid-Valencia communication line. The six-day battle through gales and snow was reported to have taken a heavy toll of life. The insurgents estimated more than 2,000 government troops were killed and the Government said the insurgents suffered "very numerous losses." Military dispatches indicated the insurgents rushed heavy reinforcements of shock troops to Teruel. Repeated insurgent blows, the Government said, failed to break the encircling lines established three days ago. The bombing and machine-gunning of insurgent troops by government planes was reported a major factor in checking the counter-attacks. Insurgent advice acknowledged the offensive was continuing, but a communique from the Salamanca headquarters said "enemy attacks continue to break against our position in the Teruel sector."

AMBASSADOR BINGHAM DIES

United States Envoy Succumbs In Hospital

(A.P. By Guardian's Special Wire) BALTIMORE, Dec. 19.—Robert Worth Bingham, United States Ambassador to Great Britain, died Saturday night at the age of 66, victim of a rare and obscure disease diagnosed by an operation last Tuesday. The North Carolinian who became publisher of Louisville's two newspapers—the Courier-Journal and the Louisville Times—and one of the first new deal diplomatic appointees died in hospital of "abdominal Hodgkins." Only after his death did doctors disclose the nature of the illness which defied diagnosis in European medical centres last summer. In Washington, informed sources expressed belief the President would name Joseph P. Kennedy, chairman of the Maritime Commission, to succeed Bingham. Expressions of regret came quickly from United States officials, from the King and Queen, from British officials and the diplomatic corps in London. HALIFAX, Dec. 19.—Body of an elderly man found in Halifax harbor today was believed to be that of George Rasmussen, 68, seaman aboard the steamship Fernfield, who disappeared Nov. 5.

MORE SHOPPING DAYS

A DIPLOMAT IS A GUY WHO CAN SAY 'NO' SO IT SOUNDS LIKE 'YES'!



METEOROLOGICAL SERVICE

Toronto, Dec. 19 — Minimum and maximum temperatures:

Dawson	8	22
Victoria	40	46
Edmonton	30	33
Regina	—	10
Winnipeg	0	0
Toronto	34	36
Ottawa	28	34
Montreal	30	34
Quebec	28	32
Saint John	28	32
Halifax	36	36
Charlottetown	32	34

FORECASTS
Mar-time East: Moderate to fresh westerly winds; cloudy with stationary or a little lower temperature; scattered snowflurries. High tide this afternoon at 12:28 and tomorrow morning at 12:28. Sun sets this afternoon at 4:21 and rises tomorrow morning at 7:35. Last quarter moon Friday, Dec. 24 at 9:20 a. m. Summerside tide eighteen minutes later than Charlottetown.

THE CAR FERRY
Leaves Borden 9:45 a. m. 1 p. m.
Leaves Tormentine 11 a. m. 2:55 p. m.