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## APPALLING LOSS OF LIFE IN CANADA VENEZUELA GETTING READY FOR STRIFE WITH THE HOLLANDERS

### PROPERTY LOSS IN MILLIONS; THOUSANDS WITHOUT SHELTER

Seven Hundred Reported Burned--Famine Is Feared--Twenty-Five Millions In Property Destroyed--U. S. Sends Aid

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Winnipeg, Man., Aug. 2.—Reports received over railroad wires from points nearest the great Crow's Nest valley fire today indicate that the flames are still roaring over the country and the extent of damage probably will be greater than was expected last night. It is estimated here that the full amount of the loss in the whole burned area will be about \$25,000,000. The loss of life is variously estimated at from 400 to 750. The suffering and destruc-

tion is horrible. Thousands are without food or shelter, and many are said to have been cut off from hope of aid.  
Acting Mayor Harvey called a meeting of the board of control this morning, and already subscriptions for the relief fund are rolling in. This city will send supplies and blankets and everything that can be transported to the scene for the aid of the sufferers. Reports from all the cities in this section say that relief is being sent.  
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### MILITIAMEN LEAVE FOR MANEUVERS

AT AMERICAN LAKE

SEVENTY OF SALEM'S NATIONAL GUARDSMEN OFF FOR TRAINING WITH REGULARS—GENT ROYAL SEND-OFF

Company "M," 70 strong, the largest aggregation of national guardsmen that Salem has ever put forth, left this morning on the 8:15 train enroute for American lake, where they will go into encampment for the next ten days along with 16,000 regulars and militiamen.  
For several weeks past the Salem boys have undergone a course of rigid training to prepare themselves for the maneuvers that are to take place at American lake, near Tacoma. Yesterday Company "M" camped in Willson avenue and practiced pitching and breaking camp. At 5 o'clock they met in the armory for inspection, and most of them spent the night there. Quite a crowd of Salem people went to the train to see the boys off. Company "M" was roundly cheered as the train started, the crowd wishing them God speed and a safe return.  
The Salem boys are under the command of Captain Charles Murphy, and Lieutenant Whit Holman is next in command. "Ruge," a black and white pointer which company "M" acquired at Camp Ruge during the recent state shoot, is the mascot of the Salem guardsmen, and he was taken along with the boys to American lake. The address of Company "M" for the next two weeks will be Camp David S. Stanley, Tacoma, Washington.

### BAD MEMORY MAY LOSE \$50,000,000 ESTATE

Appleton, Wis., Aug. 2.—A name, a silver buckle and a silver knife and fork stand between Mrs. Frederika Lorenza, 95 years old, and an estate said to be worth \$50,000,000. While there seems to be no doubt as to her identity, the aged woman cannot establish her right to the estate, which was left by her great grandfather, unless she is now able to recall the name and produce the buckle and knife and fork. The will provides that she call his name and show the silverware, but she cannot do either. Mrs. Lorenza says the silverware was taken by relatives, and that her memory is so poor that she cannot remember the name. The buckle was presented to Lorenza by the king of Prussia.  
The property has been tied up for half a century, and may soon pass to the Prussian government and other relatives of Mrs. Lorenza.

### SEVENTEEN-INNING GAME SCORE ONE TO ONE

Sacramento, Aug. 2.—The Stockton State League team is today at the head of the clubs in the league after the longest and most exciting game on record in the state league yesterday afternoon. Stockton and Sacramento battled for 17 innings, and when the game was called on account of the darkness, the score was 1 to 1.  
The game was a pitchers' battle between Jimmy Whalen and Doc Moshman. Sacramento scored her one run in the fourth, and it was not until the sixth that Stockton got one

### GASTRO IS PREPARING FOR WAR

AGAINST THE DUTCH

MARINE FROM CRUISER IS NOT ALLOWED TO LAND—VENEZUELA CLAIMS JUSTIFICATION.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Willemstadt, Aug. 2.—Following the arrival here of the Dutch cruiser Gelderland from La Guayra, Venezuela, it is feared that President Castro is preparing to make a show of armed force, and news of an outbreak is hourly expected. The officer of the cruiser reports that he was refused permission to land a marine at La Guayra with mail bags and communications for the German minister at Caracas, who is representing the Dutch interests.  
At the latter place, according to reports received here, the talk of armed resistance is regarded as improbable, the government claiming that it had the fullest justification for the dismissal of M de Rues, the Dutch minister, and that the affair will be settled by diplomacy when all the facts are known. This view is not shared by the officials here, and it is confidently believed that Castro is preparing for war.  
It is claimed by Venezuela that de Rues wrote a letter with the deliberate intention that it should be published, in which he characterized the rule of President Castro as dictatorial and ruinous of the country's interest. The letter discouraged any one coming to Venezuela to seek employment, until Castro changed his policies.

### WOMENS TO OCCUPY HOME OF STEVENSON

San Francisco, Aug. 2.—Not a little surprise was occasioned today by the announcement that the home of Mrs. Robert Louise Stevenson, widow of the late author, Bohemian and unconventional, is to be used as a home for the sisters of Carmel.  
Robert Louise Stevenson never lived in the house. It was built by his widow after his death in Samoa, and is filled with relics given the author by the Samoans. One of the rooms is papered with tapestry given Stevenson by the King of Samoa.  
The Stevenson home was purchased several weeks ago by Miss Eugenie Peyton, and it was thought she would occupy it. She transferred it to Mrs. Alice Phelan Sullivan, wife of Francis J. Sullivan. Mrs. Sullivan has leased the property to Rev. Father Rierdan, archbishop of San Francisco, for the use of the Sisters of Carmel. Mrs. Sullivan's daughter, Ada Sullivan, renounced the world a year ago, and became a Carmelite Sister in Boston. It is thought that the home will later be given to the order.

### CHICAGO BABIES DIE FROM HEAT

Chicago, Aug. 2.—Unless the weather turns cooler an enormous increase is expected in the death rate among babies, according to the health officials of this city.  
Statistics show that a total of 266 children under one year old died last week—an average of more than 29 a day. Compared with this is an average of 141 for the week ending

### ROBBER CAUGHT BY MINTO

HAS BAD RECORD

SHERIFF MAKES CLEVER CAPTURE—MAN BATTLED WITH POSSE AT SWEET HOME—ROBBED HUNSACKER.

One of the cleverest captures that has occurred in this county for several years was effected yesterday morning, when Sheriff Minto boarded the northbound Southern Pacific train, and, after a hasty search, took into custody Mike Nicklovitch, who robbed the Lawrence Hunsacker home near Turner early yesterday, and who last month was the principal figure in the Sweet Home robbery.  
About 8 a. m. yesterday Minto received a telephone message stating that the residence of Lawrence Hunsacker, a prosperous farmer living on the Hill road between Turner and Marion had been looted about daybreak. Some of the neighbors had seen the man whom they thought was the robber, and he was described to the sheriff.  
Minto started at once for the depot, just as the whistle of the approaching train was heard. By good fortune he was overtaken by A. S. Van Patton in a buggy, who drove him at breakneck speed to the station. The sheriff arrived just as the train was about to pull out. He boarded the smoking car, and in a very few minutes had located his man.  
Nicklovitch was hurried to the court house, and a search of his person was made. He had a 38-Caliber revolver, with all the chambers loaded, a gold watch and chain, a pocket knife and \$40 in cash, which he admitted having stolen from the Hunsacker place.  
Nicklovitch also had in his possession other articles, which he had stolen in various parts of the county. In his pocket was found a draft for 1200 francs, and one for 440 francs. The first of these was dated June 28th, and was made in favor of Menden Isiah Nenchill, and the second on March 12, in favor of Menden Isiah. Besides these there was a deposit receipt on the Bank of California for Andrew Carson and two pawn tickets, one of \$2.50 for a revolver, issued to Pete Lowe, and the other for a watch issued to Pete Markovitch.  
The prisoner admitted that he was one of the robbers in the Sweet Home affray, in which a posse pursued Nicklovitch and his partner for several days. Nicklovitch says that he has not seen the other robber since the Sweet Home robbery in the middle of July. Nicklovitch has two bullet wounds in the fleshy part of his leg. He says that he and his partner fired about 15 shots in the fight with the posse, and that the farmer fired about 100.

Nicklovitch was brought before Justice Webster this afternoon and charged with grand larceny. He was bound over to the grand jury, and will remain in the county jail pending the action of that body. The prisoner is an Austrian, and is 22 years of age.  
**SEND TO YOUR FRIENDS.**  
Copies of the Cherry Fair Special ready for mailing at The Journal.

### CONFESSES TO MURDER OF FRIEND

KILLED OLD MINER

CHARLES LOPER TELLS HOW HE SHOT PROMINENT MAN IN COLD BLOOD AND DISMEMBERED BODY.

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Frederic, Cal., Aug. 2.—After becoming entangled in a mass of lies, Charles H. Loper, held for the murder of the well-known miner, Joseph Vernott, broke down this morning and confessed to Sheriff Chittenden that he had committed the crime, dismembering the old man's body, and burying the remains in Barley casks.  
The murder was committed July 27 in the doorway of Vernott's cabin in the mountains near here. Loper said that the act was not premeditated, but was purely the result of impulse. He said he was weak-minded and morbid.  
"Vernott was my best friend, and I don't know how I could have killed him."  
"I had not been drinking. We were standing in the doorway of the cabin, and saw a coyote a short distance away. I handed Vernott's rifle to him, and told him to take a shot. He said: 'No, you shoot; your sight is better.'  
"Then came the sudden impulse to kill, kill, kill. I grabbed the rifle, and as he turned to watch the coyote I shot the old man through the back of his head. He fell instantly, and was dead in a few minutes."  
"I dragged his body into the kitchen, and let it remain there over night. The next day, as I could not carry all of it, I cut the legs off and made two trips to the spot where I buried the remains, wrapping them up in sackings."  
"I am sorry for my father and mother. When I was a kid I nearly died, but the doctor saved my life, to the regret of my parents. I had intended going away somewhere in a few days and killing myself. I tell you a thing that is bad for my sort, and that is seeing the moving pictures. I have watched them often, and every other one seems to be about some murder. The pictures made me morbid."

### AMERICANS TO BUILD ITALIAN WARSHIPS

Milan, Aug. 2.—Government tests of armor plate, submitted by competitive bidders for the Italian naval contracts, have resulted in a victory for the Midvale Steel Works, of Midvale, Pa., and this concern will receive a large contract from the government. It is announced today, the strongest competitors were the Germans. The warship which is to be built will be the royal flagship *Saa Marco*.

### HARD TO GET GOOD NEWSPAPER CUTS

The Portland manufacturers of newspaper cuts are turning out some very poor work. Take some of the cuts in the Cherry Fair edition, and then look at some of the cuts in the Portland Sunday Journal, and it looks as if a new firm is badly needed that can manufacture a cut for a newspaper that will print decently. This paper makes a due apology for some of the poorest cuts it has ever

## CHICAGO STORE

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