

City Gets Tail End Of Black Blizzard Covering Mid-continent

Winnipeggers rubbed grit from their eyes and vainly hid behind closed windows, Tuesday afternoon, when the city was shrouded by the worst duststorm of the spring. Dirty and murky as it was, Winnipeg got but the tail end of the storm, which raged violently through Saskatchewan, North and South Dakota, northern Iowa and parts of Nebraska and Missouri.

The storm struck with high winds at 3 o'clock. In many homes and offices, lights burned in an effort to dispel the oppressive gloom.

In Winnipeg, the storm had abated and visibility was again fairly good by 6.30 p.m., Tuesday. Rain followed at night, with .03 inch of precipitation recorded.

Temperatures in Winnipeg, Tuesday, ranged between 34 and 59. At noon, Wednesday, the temperature was 45.

Northwest winds and partly cloudy and cool weather would prevail in Manitoba Wednesday, the weather bureau forecast. On Thursday the weather would be fair, becoming a little warmer.

Damage to crops in southern Saskatchewan was apparently slight, according to a despatch from Regina late Tuesday night. At Bagot, Man., however, it is believed several farmers will have to sow again. Ladysmith, Man., and other points west also reported losses, the full extent of which is not yet known.

End of the gale in Saskatchewan brought hope of a let-up in the black blizzard as forecasters, for the first time in several days, made no mention of wind. The same forecast held little hope of rain, however.

The break in the storm brought belated reports of queer accidents blamed on the thick dust and high winds. Most serious was an accident which sent three occupants of an automobile to Moose Jaw hospital, while other reports told of damage to chimneys, fences and small buildings.

At Chaplin, west of Moose Jaw, the worst dust storm in the town's history was received Tuesday afternoon after approximately 21 hours of storm. As yet full details of the damage have not been ascertained

due to inability to contact outlying points.

Farmers in various localities expressed the hope that the drifting soil would help in some degree to rid the country of grasshoppers.

From Uren word was received that E. Leibert, a farmer in the district was caught with his wagon and outfit of horses near Uren school and the wagon was said to have been blown sideways on the road.

Injured in Accident

Moose Jaw, May 10. (CP) — The

DUST STORM

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LOOKING BACKWARD

(From the Free Press Files)

Sixty Years Ago—May 10, 1879

Word had been received that, following in the steps of Lord Dufferin, the governor-general's silver and gold medal for university competition in Winnipeg, was to become a fixture; silver and bronze medals were to be given to the colleges, St. Boniface, St. John's, Manitoba and St. John's Ladies' college.

Fifty-five Years Ago—May 10, 1884

The contractor was busy completing the stone front steps of the new (James street) Winnipeg police station and other outside work that he had not been able to finish during the winter; temperature 66 above.

Fifty Years Ago—May 10, 1889

Michael Kelly, the \$10,000 beauty of the Boston baseball team, was the talk of the athletic world; in addition to his prowess on the diamond, he was the dread of all umpires when roused to protest.