

THIRTY-TWO LIVES LOST IN STEAMSHIP DISASTER

FORTY-FIVE OF THE SURVIVORS ARE NOW COMING SOUTH ON THE STEAMER JEFFERSON

CROWD LEFT HERE LAST NIGHT TO GO TO SHUSHANNA

ON WHARF LOOKED LIKE RE-ENACTMENT OF THE OLD KLONDIKE DAYS IN SEATTLE—MORE MOUNTED POLICE ON BOARD.

The excitement over the Shushanna gold strike is rising to a new height. When the Princess left here last night it was as if a scene from Vancouver or Seattle in the old Klondike days was being re-enacted. The steamer was crowded with who were determined to try their fortune at the diggings. A big crowd got on board their packs on their backs. The wharf was crowded with people who went to see the sight. It looked as if the whole town were there.

Another detachment of Royal Northwest Mounted Police was on board, bringing up a number of horses for the force. They will

help to relieve the Mounted Police at Dawson who have gone to patrol the road to the diggings. Among those who got on board were the following: Tom McLeod, H. Trunkstad, T. Graham, A. McPherson, H. McPherson, G. McPherson, A. Hoch, J. C. Knight, J. B. Salmon, E. Morton, A. Hanson, A. J. Samuelson, F. A. Deverill, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Boyce, D. Clark, D. Dawson, I. Stagarvig, J. Martin, E. N. Ogilvie, W. H. Pinkerton, J. H. McLeod, W. J. McDonald, E. W. Robertson, N. Nicholson, Roy Butters, Fred Southern, R. W. More, John Ketchford, J. Bradbury, O. Burlinson, R. Hendrikson, Fred H. Verney, Roy Gordon.

AUSTRALIA WANTS CONFERENCE CONCERNING PACIFIC SQUADRON

THE MINISTER OF COMMONWEALTH PRESENTS POLICY OF GOVERNMENT TO PARLIAMENT—DESIRES RECIPROCITY AMONG DOMINIONS

Melbourne, Aug. 14.—When a debate was held in the House of Commons yesterday, the prime minister, Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, outlined the policy of the government. He advocated the best consideration of international reciprocity and the relations arising out of the imperial conference of 1909, which was an important bearing on the programme of the commonwealth and imperial interests in the Pacific.

It is suggested in the Liberal party that a conference on the subject is advisable at an early date and communications regarding the defence of the Pacific are being addressed to the British authorities. Meanwhile the government is adhering to Admiral Henderson's defence scheme.

The prime minister declared that the government was opposed to the principle of preference to unionists where the public service was concerned, and intended abolishing it.

Mr. Cook intends to introduce a bill which will prohibit the arbitration court ordering preference to be given to unionists and which will, also, exempt rural workers from the operation of the arbitration act.

The prime minister further stated that the government will maintain the accepted protective policy and will leave tariff revision to an interstate commission, which will deal chiefly with the question from an industrial and commercial point of view, particularly as regards the effect of the tariff on the investment of capital.

PETITIONS RECEIVED FOR WATER AND WALK

E. Gamp and Other Citizens Make Request to Council for Improvements.

A petition from H. E. Gamp and others for a board walk from the corner of the corner of Grey street and Seventh avenue was received by the city council last evening and referred to the board of works and the engineer for report.

Another petition for a water main in that district was also received. Alderman Bullock-Webster moved that this petition be granted, and Alderman Maitland seconded the motion. Alderman Maitland pointed out that it should be a first of all, and moved an amendment, seconded by Alderman Sutherland, that the petition be referred to the board of works. The amendment was carried. A report of the board of works recommending that the sum of \$2,000 be advanced to S. P. McLeod on the grading work which had been done in Section Two was, after some little discussion, adopted.

S. S. PRINCE GEORGE EN ROUTE NORTH

Left Vancouver on Time Last Night and Is Expected Tomorrow Morning as Usual.

Albert Davidson, general agent for the G. T. P. is today in receipt of advice from the Vancouver office to the effect that the steamer Prince George left there on time last night for Prince Rupert. It was feared that the accident on the last trip north, when the steamer grounded off the end of White Cliff Island, might necessitate taking it off the run for a short time. The public will be glad to know that this was not necessary. No details have been received as to whether or not the steamer went into dry dock while south.

VICTIMS OF THE HEAT

(Special to The Daily News.) Detroit, Mich., Aug. 19.—The heat wave which is visiting Michigan has been the cause of a number of deaths. In this city alone eleven deaths were recorded during the past twenty-four hours.

PUBLIC MEETING

A public meeting will be held at the Empress Theatre on Wednesday evening at 8:30 o'clock for the purpose of discussing the financial affairs of the city. I urgently request a large attendance in order that every citizen in the city may be thoroughly apprised of the situation.

T. D. PATTULLO, Mayor.

THREE PRINCE RUPERT MEN REPORTED AMONG SAVED

Number of Those Lost in Sinking of "State of California" is Now Placed at Thirty-Two—No News as Yet Concerning Miss Wilson

Telegrams announcing that D. R. O'Neill and Thorndund Brown of this city were among the saved were received last evening by friends of these men in the city. Word has also been received at the government telegraph office that George O'Dell was among the saved. No news has yet been received of Miss Wilson, who was reported to be missing.

There were 130 passengers and a crew of 66 on board. The last report says that all but thirty-two were saved. Other reports put the number of lives lost at from twenty-five to thirty-eight.

The Worst Report.

The worst report received came yesterday evening. It has not been confirmed by other reports.

Victoria, Aug. 18.—8:45 p.m.—Ketchikan reports that steamer City of California belonging to the Pacific Coast Steamship Co. struck an uncharted rock leaving Gambier Bay at 8:30 o'clock on Sunday morning. The steamer had been taking on freight at Cannery and was coming out on the southeastern shore of Admiralty Island when the accident occurred. The ship commenced to settle immediately and a terrific explosion blew up the deck and the ship disappeared from view three minutes after striking the rock. It is impossible to state

First Report.

The following was the first report of the disaster received in Prince Rupert:

Word has just been received here that the steamer "State of California," which went north from here on Friday evening last, sank in Gambier Bay Sunday morning. Between thirty and thirty-eight lives are reported to have been lost. It is reported that Mrs. Ward, wife of the assistant general manager of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, was among the drowned. She was

Some of the passengers on board the State of California recorded in the Seattle office are Mr. and Mrs. John Van Delass, Los Angeles; Blanche Fridd and Marion Harlan, Portland, Ore.; Miss Alice T. Johnson, Vancouver.

Thirty-two Lost.

Juneau, Aug. 18.—Thirty-two lives were lost when the steamer State of California sank in Gambier Bay. The vessel was in Stephens Passage when she hit an uncharted rock.

Lila Ward, the daughter of the assistant general manager of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, was drowned, with her mother.

with any degree of certainty the number of people lost, although one report states that out of 170 passengers not more than thirty were saved. There seems to be no doubt but that the loss of life will be very heavy. Already ten bodies have been recovered.

It is reported that a large number of the crew were lost including one wireless operator and the fourth engineer.

J. H. Rogers, the local agent of the Pacific Coast Steamship Co., reports that nineteen persons took passage from Prince Rupert on the ill-fated steamer. Of these thirteen were first-class and six second class. Having sent in the passenger list to the head office

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No word has been received concerning any people who got on board the steamer at Prince Ru-

The State of California was one of the oldest vessels on the north Pacific Coast. She had been about forty-one years in service and was considered in her day one of the best steamers on the coast. She plied out of San Francisco for many years, and only during the last year or two entered the Alaska service.

The steamer was of 1,260 tons register and carried a crew of seventy-six men. The skipper, Captain T. H. Cann, was well known on the waterfront, waterfront, where he was very popular. His fate has not yet been learned.

of the company, a detailed list is not available. The following are among those who left from here:

C. D. SHAW.
MISS J. J. WILSON.
MR. AND MRS. PUGH.
D. R. O'NEILL.
THORNDUND BROWN.
GEORGE O'DELL.
FRANK RUSSELL.

Miss Wilson was a member of the public school staff of this city.

D. R. O'Neill is a well-known resident of Prince Rupert, having been for some time in charge of Orme's Drug Store on Third Avenue.

Thorndund Brown was a salesman with Law- Butler Co., one of the real estate firms of this city.

Among those who left from here were D. R. O'Neill, Thorndund Browne and Mr. and Mrs. Pugh. Mr. Pugh was formerly with the G. T. P. at Terrace.

The steamer had just left the cannery in Gambier Bay, which is just below Juneau, when she struck a rock. This was at 8:38 Sunday morning. She immediately began to settle. As she went down the compression of air in her boilers caused an immense explosion, blowing up the upper decks. Between thirty and thirty-eight of those on board are reported to have been drowned.

BANQUET FOR HAZEN

He and "Bobby" Rogers are to be Fussed Over

(Special to The Daily News.) Vancouver, Aug. 19.—The Conservatives of this city are planning to hold a large banquet in honor of Hon. Robert Rogers, Minister of the Interior, and Hon. J. D. Hazen, Minister of Marine and Fisheries.

FOR BETTER TERMS

Third Member of Commission is at Last Named

(Special to The Daily News.) Ottawa, Aug. 19.—Following the conference with Premier Borden on Sunday by Sir Richard McBride, it is now announced that Lewis Harcourt, secretary of state for the colonies, has been named as the third member of the "Better Terms" commission.

THE WEATHER.

The weather report at 5 o'clock this morning read: Barometer, 30.132; maximum temperature, 64; minimum temperature, 47.

STATEMENT ABOUT EXPENSES OF JOURNEY CONTRARY TO FACT

MAYOR PATTULLO REMARKED ON CERTAIN MISREPRESENTATIONS CONCERNING HIS MISSION TO ENGLAND—ESTIMATES WERE PASSED.

"May I inquire as to the particulars of this item of \$5,000 for incidentals?" asked Alderman Bullock-Webster in the suavest of tones at the council meeting last evening. The council was considering such estimates for the year as remained in dispute after last meeting.

"In connection with this," said Mayor Pattullo, "I want to see that there is no more misunderstanding. The Empire newspaper has stated that the mayor's expenses on his trip to England were \$5,000. This is absolutely contrary to fact. I said that one of the items under the head of incidentals for which the sum of \$5,000 was asked was the cost of the journey of the city solicitor and myself to the east and to England. I have not yet had time since my return to total up the expenses of the trip, but I surmise that they amount to about \$4,000."

Alderman Maitland thought the council should have details as to the cost of the trip.

Alderman Dybhavn, seconded by Alderman Naden, moved that the clause be adopted. In reply to Alderman Maitland, it was pointed out by Alderman Naden that the council was now going over the estimates, not over the accounts, which would be considered on another occasion.

Alderman Bullock-Webster also questioned the amount set aside in the estimates for salaries. He thought that the work was getting less and the salaries getting bigger. He didn't see how there could be enough work at present to keep some of the officials busy.

Alderman Naden then pointed out that if the staff had been the right size last year there was something wrong somewhere, as the financial report was six months late in getting out.

The mayor thereupon pointed out that the accounts were in a very bad muddle last year. "Another year like last year," he said, "would have meant, beyond any doubt, government intervention to protect the credit of the city. By the end of this year, however, the finances of the city will be in as good a state as those of any private corporation."

Alderman Bullock-Webster also questioned the point relating to the unpaid accounts that were left over from last year. One item was entered as being necessary to meet the deficit, the other to meet the debts left by last year's council. Alderman Bullock-Webster thought that these were only there for effect. He wanted to know if the item of

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THAW HAS ESCAPED FROM THE ASYLUM

Believed He Has Crossed State Line—Warrant Issued for His Arrest.

(Special to The Daily News.) New York, Aug. 19.—Harry K. Thaw, the murderer of the famous architect, Stanford White, escaped from the criminal asylum at Matteawan early yesterday morning. The details of his escape are not yet known, nor is any trace to be found of his whereabouts. It is known that a powerful automobile was waiting for him outside the prison, that it speeded away with him and there the trail ends. It is believed that he has safely crossed the state line. It is reported that his mother has received a letter from him stating that he is well and that he has gone into the country to take a rest.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Aug. 19.—Warrants have been issued for the arrest of Harry K. Thaw, charging him with conspiracy. It is believed that if he has not left the country he will undoubtedly be arrested and brought back for trial, no matter in which state he may be found.

HE WAS BORN LUCKY

Brewery Hand at Fernie May be a Millionaire

(Special to The Daily News.) Fernie, B.C., August 19.—John Kempen, who is employed at a local brewery, is one of the seven heirs to a fortune in Holland amounting to ten million dollars.

RITCHIE ON THE SPOT

Ready for Bout With Welsh for World's Championship

(Special to The Daily News.) Vancouver, Aug. 19.—Ritchie is here and will remain until he meets Welsh at Brighouse on Labor Day to do battle for the world's championship.

FOUND—A watch. Apply to H. S. Wallace.

CANADIAN TO OPPOSE SOLICITOR GENERAL

Toronto Man is Candidate for the British Parliament to Represent Manchester

(Special to The Daily News.) London, Aug. 19.—Harry Simon, K.C., of Toronto, late director of the Union Life Insurance Company, has been chosen as Unionist candidate for the constituency of Northwest Manchester.

He will have as his opponent a member of the cabinet of the same name as himself, Sir John A. Simon, K.C., the solicitor-general. The latter has announced that he will give up his safe seat in Walthamstow to contest Manchester constituency because, as he says: "It will be a critical campaign for many causes which Liberals hold dear, and among the most important is free trade."

This intention, it is alleged in some quarters, is due to the desire of those radicals devoted to Premier Asquith, to lessen Lloyd George's influence in the cabinet. All of which goes to show that the Toronto man is in for a hot political battle.

THAT NANAIMO STRIKE

No Rioting Breaks the Quiet of the Situation.

(Special to The Daily News.) Nanaimo, Aug. 19.—The situation in the coal districts remains unchanged. The strikers are quiet, but there are no mines working on Vancouver Island. The military have taken charge of all telegrams and telephones.

ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY
DANCE
IN ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY HALL
(Formerly Katen Island Hall)
WEDNESDAY, AUG. 20, 9:30 P. M.
Scotch and Canadian Dancing
St. Andrew's Orchestra
Gents \$1, Ladies Free Ice Cream