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Flotilla Destroyers and Liner Piled on Rocks off California Coast in Dense Fog; 25 Drowned

SANTA BARBARA, Sept. 10.—Twenty-five sailors were drowned and fifteen seriously injured while 100 were slightly injured, seven destroyers of the United States navy are a total loss and the liner Cuba wrecked with $2,500,000 in silver bullion, Capt. J. C. Holland, one purser, one steward and eight seamen are adrift in a small boat as a result of week-end disasters off the coast of California in a heavy fog on the high seas.

A flotilla of destroyers was proceeding at a speed of 20 knots in single formation down the Santa Barbara channel 75 miles north of this city during Saturday night when boats encountered an eccentric tide which rendered them helpless in the fog. The flagship Delphi suddenly crashed on the rocks and within a few minutes the destroyers Chauncey, Woodbury, Fuller, Lee, Nicholas and Young had piled up ashore at intervals of 250 feet, the Young capsizing within two minutes, trapping 25 sailors in their bunks who were instantly drowned.

The boatswain's mate Peterson buffeted the seas to the Chauncey carrying a rope over which the survivors aboard the rapidly filling Young made their escape to the Chauncey and swam ashore. The rest of the 500 personnel on the wrecked destroyers made shore and are now encamped near Honda under naval discipline.

The destroyer Reno which had become separated in the fog from the flotilla went down another channel and encountered the lifeboat from the liner Cuba which had beached on another part of the coast.

The Cuba had no wireless and got lost in the fog. She carried 125 passengers and 65 of a crew, all of whom were rescued by the destroyer Reno and tanker Miller except Capt. Holland and ten men who remained aboard to guard the silver cargo. The Cuba has now disappeared and it is supposed she sank. The lookout on the Reno saw two small boats during a momentary lift in the fog twelve hours after picking up the Cuba's personnel and it is supposed these boats contained Capt. Holland and party but they headed for the open sea instead of toward shore and their fate is undecided.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 10.—(Noon).—Capt. Holland and all passengers and crew of the Pacific Mail liner Cuba are safe. Treasure and baggage have been landed at Wilmington, Holland, third mate and four seamen are on the vessel.

GREECE AND ITALY AGREE

Will Accept Finding of Council of Ambassadors

ATHENS, Sept. 10.—Greece has notified the council of ambassadors that they are willing to accept the council's decision regarding Italy's demands for the killing of Italian diplomats in Albanian territory provided Italian troops evacuate Corfu immediately. It is understood Italy is prepared to conform if the demands are met.

AMERICAN HALIBUT BOATS BRING LARGE CATCHES TO PORT

The two big American halibut schooners Republic and Tordenskjold brought in bumper catches to the Fish Exchange this morning and received prices that will mean big proceeds for the men aboard them. The Republic sold 85,000 pounds to the Atlin Fisheries at 13.7c and 10.5c, and the Tordenskjold 65,000 pounds to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co. at 14c and 10.5c.

Other arrivals were:

American

Hilda, 7,000 pounds; Sadie K., 10,000, and Wabash, 6,500 pounds at 15c and 11c, to the Royal Fish Co.

Harding, 10,000 at 14.6c and 11c, to the Booth Fisheries.

Canadian

W. T., 5,500 pounds, at 13.5c and 11c, to the Royal Fish Co.

Esher, 13,000 pounds, at 13.2c and 11c, and Clara K., 1,600 pounds, at 13.1c and 11c, to the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co.

Fannie F., 2,000 pounds, at 13.3c and 11c, to the Atlin Fisheries.

A total of 205,600 pounds was marketed.

ALLEN WAS THROWN FROM HIS HAND CAR

R. E. Allen of Royal Mills, Hanall, who met with a bad accident Friday evening, arriving in the city Saturday evening and was taken to the hospital where he is making good progress toward recovery. It seems that he was returning on a hand car from a lumber inspection trip when he struck something and was thrown from the car near Vanarsdol and badly crushed. First aid was administered but for a long time the injured man did not recover consciousness. It will be some time before he is able to be at work again.

C.P.R. steamer Princess Louise, Capt. Slater, arrived from the north at 6 o'clock yesterday morning and sailed for Vancouver at 8.15. The Princess Beatrice, Capt. Cliffe, arrived from the south at the same hour and returned to Vancouver at 9:30. Both vessels had full passenger lists for the south, several Alaska people having been transferred to the Beatrice from the Louise at this port.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lamb, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Gurd and other members of the Cassiar cannery staff are sailing tonight by the Prince George for Vancouver.

BUSY PREPARING FOR OPENING DAY OF EXHIBITION

The exhibition building is today a scene of bustle and confusion with everybody preparing the booths and exhibits for the grand opening tomorrow at one o'clock. A good many worked a good deal of yesterday under direction of vice-president Lepine. R. E. Benson had charge of the preparations for the photograph department.

ISLAND EXHIBITS FOR FAIR ARRIVE

Queen Charlottes to be Well Represented With Agricultural and Native Displays

The Massett district exhibit for the exhibition arrived this morning on the steamer Prince Albert from the Islands. Mrs. F. H. Carpenter of Massett and L. Dyson of Port Clements are in charge of it, the latter having also brought over several exhibits of his own.

Thomas Deasy, Indian Agent at Massett, and Alfred Adams, chief native councillor, also arrived in charge of a large native display. Mr. Deasy has a large and interesting collection of slate totems, etc., which he will exhibit.

Mrs. Charles Edenshaw, wife of the Haida chief who formerly owned the Prince Rupert totem pole, and John Mark also arrived from the Islands. Mrs. Edenshaw will give demonstrations of basket weaving at the Fair and Mr. Mark will do slate carving.

About thirty natives also arrived on the Prince Albert to attend the Fair.

MAKE SELVES HEARD IS ADVICE GIVEN BY VISITOR TO RUPERT

Sees Great Port, and Industrial and Tourist Possibilities Here

"You seem to have all the natural advantages of location, railway grade and natural resources but you have been held back. You will have to rise up and make yourselves heard, perhaps, before you get the facilities for a gerat port here." That was the opinion expressed to the Daily News by a visitor, H. R. Finch of the Western Mutual Life Association, who is spending a few weeks in the district.

Mr. Finch sees great possibilities here for a big port and industrial centre. He says he expects to see the place grow but it must be by the efforts of the citizens. Instead of six thousand tourists, he thinks there should be sixty thousand come here next year. He points to the fact that southern California was built up by tourist business. People who went there to see, returned to invest. So it would be here.

C.N.R. steamer Prince George, Capt. W. S. Morehouse, due from the south this afternoon, is two hours late and will not arrive until 5 o'clock.

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ECLIPSE PLAINLY VISIBLE AT NOON

Sun's Face Was Shadowed 70 Per Cent Today—Daylight Subdued With Unusual Shadows

The light of the sun went partially out between 11.30 and 1.30 today. That was why the daylight became softly subdued and unusual shadows cast themselves over the land for a couple of hours about noon-time. Few people were aware beforehand that an eclipse was about to take place but it was not long after it started that everyone was peering heavenwards with smoked glasses, etc.

The eclipse during its progress varied in width and at its greatest point concealed 70 per cent of the face of the sun. It was plainly visible here at all stages.

LIBRARY BOOTH IS BEING PREPARED FOR CAMPAIGN FOR BOOKS

Great preparations are being made for the library compaign which opens at the exhibition hall tomorrow. The stall is being tastefully decorated for the occasion and everyone will be struck by the effective way in which the work is being carried on.

Miss Grant is supervising the work and several members of library board and others have been helping.

Master Bartlett Wakefield, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Wakefield, sailed by the Prince Rupert on Saturday night for Seattle.

SHOOTING COST STANYER YEAR

Judge Young Sends Francois Lake Farmer to Okalla for Recent Offense

Convicted of unlawfully shooting with intent to do grievous bodily harm, Jack Stanyer, of Francois Lake was convicted by Judge Young at Smithers at the week end and sentenced to serve one year at Okalla prison farm. Police Inspector Parsons, of the Provincial police and Inspector Ackland of the Canadian Mounted Police were both present.

A charge against Stayner of shooting unlawfully with intent to resist arrest was dismissed.

PRINCE RUPERT TOTEM POLE ARRIVED TODAY

Is 28 feet Long and Was Oldest Pole Remaining on Queen Charlotte Islands

The Haida totem pole, recently purchased by the Prince Rupert Board of Trade to be erected at a central location in the city, arrived by the steamer Prince Albert this morning from Massett. It is 28 feet long and was the oldest pole remaining on the Islands. Thomas Deasy, Indian agent at Massett, through whom the pole was obtained, and Alfred Adams, chief councillor at Massett, said that the pole, on account of its age, might well have some preservative applied to it in order to keep it. Painting they said would not injure it.

MANY HUNTING PARTIES OUT

Varying Reports Brought on For Opening Day of Bird Season —Plenty of Game Seen

Many bird hunters were out to various points about the city for the opening of the season yesterday. Varying reports are brought in. All parties saw plenty of game but the weather, it seems, was a little too clear for the best of success although some geese and ducks were taken.

Jack Keefe, W. E. Williscroft and W. Spence were out in the neighborhood of Metlakatla. Jack says he had the best day's shooting he ever experienced. There were plenty of geese in sight. He shot two but was unable to retrieve one of them.

Douglas Stork, Milton Gonzales, Stan Taylor and Howard Pringle went to Big Bay. Milt got a fine big goose and other members of the party, which included Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Evitt, Mrs. Philpott and S. D. Johnstone, got four ducks.

E. C. Gibbons, J. H. Pillsbury, W. O. Fulton and Mr. Quinn were at Kitkatla and got several ducks but no geese.

Jack Lindsay shot a big goose at Delusion Bay and several ducks.

B. Newell, H. Nickerson and party went to Winter Harbor. They saw plenty of game but had faulty ammunition and failed to capture any.

Joe Scott, Jack Boddie and H. Sheppard were at Scott Inlet across the Bay; Dave Stuart, Dr. Cade and Master Charlie Stuart were at Delusion Bay, and Harry Meagher and son were also across the Bay. These parties failed to capture any game. John McRae and party were near Metlakatla but did not get anything.

ITALY ACCEPTS TERMS PROPOSED BY AMBASSADORS

ROME, Sept. 10.—Italy has accepted the terms of the council of ambassadors and agreed to evacuate Corfu and adjacent islands when Greece has satisfied all of Italy's demands for reparations.

Complete Auditor's Report on Booth School Building from Inception to its Completion

The report of the auditors, Rorie and Small, on the audit of the accounts of the School Board in connection with the construction of the Booth School shows the total cost of the building to be $292,128.90, this amount including the reconstruction account for $49,998.56. The report goes into considerable detail and shows where all the money was used, including the bills for supplies and labor. It follows in full:

To The Chairman,
Board of School Trustees,
Prince Rupert, B.C.

Dear Sir,

In accordance with the request contained in your Secretary's letter to me of 15th February last, I have examined and audited the accounts of the expenditure made by the Trustees in connection with the construction and building of the School known as the Booth Memorial School, and also of the additional expenditure made in connection with its reconstruction.

The record of these expenditures is contained in the books of the Corporation of the City of Prince Rupert, and the period over which my examination has extended is in the case of the "Construction Account" from May 1919, to 28th February, 1923, and in the case of the "Reconstruction Account" from 1st March, 1922, to 28th February, 1923.

I find that the total expenditure on these respective accounts up to 28th February, 1923, is as follows:

On Construction Account	$242,130.34
" Reconstruction Account	49,998.56
	$292,128.90

In connection with these accounts of expenditure, I have to report as follows:

CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

Expenses In Connection With By-laws and Debenture Issue.

In August, 1919, the School Trustees' original intention appears to have been to erect a new school on Acropolis Hill at an estimated cost of $135,000, the building to be of a permanent nature, which would enable the Trustees to borrow on long term debentures of 30 years' currency. The Acropolis Hill site by-law was however turned down, and subsequently the Hays Cove Circle site by-law was passed for $150,000. The election expenses and expense of making a preliminary survey of Acropolis Hill are included in the Booth School Expenditure to the extent of $589.17, the details of which will be found in Schedule No. 1 attached hereto.

Loss on Sale of Bonds.

$150,000 Serial Instalment Debentures were sold at 82½ in 1921, which occasioned a loss of $27,926.33. With a view to meeting this deficiency and anticipating they would realise approximately the same low rate, a second issue of $36,000 was made. This issue, however, realised par, and consequently only $29,000 were required to be sold.

Interest on Bank Loans.

Until the Bonds had been sold, the expenditure had to be temporarily financed with the Bank by means of Demand Loans, the interest on which amounted to $664.95.

Between July 1920 and June 1921 the Provincial Government made payment by monthly instalments of a Grant of $60,000 towards the cost of the new school. These sums as they were received were deposited in a Savings Bank account, and earned $166.54 of interest.

Architect's Fees.

The total amount paid to the Architect, J. W. Potter, is $5,000.00. The commission agreed to be paid to him was fixed by the Trustees on 13th May, 1920, at 5% on the first $100,000 of the cost of the school, and 2½% on the excess over $100,000 up to but not exceeding $150,000. There is therefore still outstanding in respect of commission the sum of $1,250.00.

Preliminary Expenses re Hays Cove Circle Site.

As shown in the Abstract of Expenditure these consist of Surveying, Advertising, Excavating, Telegrams and Legal Expenses. These latter were incurred in connection with preparing contracts and the whole cost was borne by the Trustees, whereas it is customary among contracting parties for the expenses to be borne mutually. The trustees' minutes however show that on 13th May, 1920, it was agreed that the cost of drawing up the contracts be borne by the Board of Trustees.

Construction and Building.

In April, 1920, tenders for building a twelve room school were called for. These tenders could be made either in bulk, or separate for the following trades: Masonry, Hollow Tile and Brick, Concrete (plain and reinforced), Plastering, Art Stone work, Carpentry and Joinery, Roofing and Galvanized Ironwork, Steel Sash, Fire Escapes, Steel Work, Painting and Glazing, Terrazo floors, Electric Wiring, Plumbing, Heating and Ventilating.

One bulk tender only was received, the amount being $198,900, and this the trustees considered too high. They decided therefore to have the work done on a percentage basis and awarded the contract to Mr. S. P. McMordie.

In connection with this contract, the following points relating to the financial end of it have to be kept in view:

(1 The Contract was entered into between S. P. McMordie and the School Trustees on 14th May, 1920, and provided that, inter alia, the Contractor under the direction and to the satisfaction of J. W. Potter, Architect acting for

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PUBLIC MEETING
Empress Theatre
TONIGHT, MONDAY
at Eight o'clock
ADDRESSES BY
Hon. W. J. Bowser and
H. Pooley, Esq., M.L.A.
SEATS RESERVED FOR LADIES

ESTIMATE OF DEAD CONFLICT

Official Announcement From Tokio Reduces Number Very Considerably

TOKIO, Sept. 10.— An official announcement says 23,000 persons were killed and 40,000 injured in the Yokohama disaster. It says 71 per cent of Tokio was destroyed and Japanese police estimate the Tokio dead at 43,000 while the Japanese agency says 100,000 bodies are already taken out of the ruins. In Yokohama the estimate of the number of dead is very conflicting. Many refugees from Tokio who went to Ueno Park and found neither food nor shelter have gone insane and committed suicide.

STOP PASSIVE RESISTANCE

LONDON, Sept. 10—The population in the occupied areas of Germany have been ordered to discontinue passive resistance to the French and Belgian authorities, according to Berlin.

BOWSER AND POOLEY ARE ARRIVING TODAY

Will Address Meeting Here Tonight—Going to Interior—Mr. Bowser to Open Smithers Fair

Hon. W. J. Bowser, Conservative leader in the legislature, and R. H. Pooley, Member for Esquimalt, will arrive from the south on the steamer Prince George this afternoon and will address a meeting in the Empress Theatre tonight over which R. W. Cameron, president of the local Conservative Association, will preside.

Mr. Bowser and Mr. Pooley will be in the city until Wednesday when they will proceed to the interior on a speaking tour visiting Terrace, Hazelton, Smithers, Telkwa, etc. At Smithers next week, Mr. Bowser will open the Buckley Valley Fall Fair.

PROMINENT PARTY COMING HERE WITH C.P.R. PRESIDENT

When E. W. Beatty, president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, arrives in Prince Rupert towards the end of this month enroute to Alaska, he will be accompanied by the following directors of the company: Sir Herbert Holt, Montreal, president of the Royal Bank of Canada; Sir Augustus Nanton, Winnipeg financier; J. K. L. Ross, capitalist navy man of Montreal, and W. N. Tilley, K.C., of Toronto. The party is due to reach Vancouver on September 15, leaving there for the East on September 24.

TWO CANNED FISH EXHIBITS AT FAIR

Two complete exhibits of canned fish will be on display at the Exhibition which opens tomorrow. J. F. Strang, manager of Sunnyside cannery, brought in the exhibit from his plant last night and the Canadian Fish & Cold Storage Co. is also setting one in place today.

LEAGUE BASEBALL

SATURDAY'S GAMES

National League

Brooklyn 7-5, Boston 4-4.
Philadelphia 6, New York 9.
Cincinnati 4, St. Louis 5.
Chicago 0, Pittsburg 4.

American League

St. Louis 7-1, Chicago 3-0.
Detroit 3, Cleveland 4.
New York 0, Washington 4.

Coast League

Salt Lake 10, Seattle 8.
San Francisco 6, Vernon 2.
Sacramento 5, Portland 4.
Los Angeles 2, Oakland 3.