

# Reminiscences and Reflections

There is a Prince Rupert man named Charles... will be closely associated with the opening chapter of the history of the Canadian railway. He was a young man, full of energy and ambition, who had come to the city to work on the construction of the Grand Trunk Pacific.

In the spring of 1912, the Titanic, last word in ocean liners was due with distinguished company aboard to sail for New York. Mr. Hays had gone to England planning to return home on the vessel that surpassed in size, power, beauty and general equipment and fittings anything ever attempted before in the long history of the White Star. He had, according to what was heard at the time, been contemplating a service out of Prince Rupert, for completion of the railway was now little more than a year or so away.

On a morning in April there was heard in Prince Rupert a brief story people always at first call impossible. The mighty Titanic had sunk, and Mr. Hays, with hundreds of others, had gone down with her. The tragic truth! It was exactly that. A few hours before midnight, out on the starlit Atlantic, there had been warmth, luxury, laughter, behind the bright portholes.

An iceberg cut, then sliced along the black hull. Speed slackened. The great steamship, rising-falling on the deep swell, began to settle, not rapidly but with a mercurial deliberation.

Some were destined to die before daybreak and Hays was among them. It was fated that one who could so ill be spared, one whose capacity as an executive and builder had an international significance and meaning, one whose life meant so much to thousands of others, had lived his last day.

Two years later, the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, its final spike safely driven home, reached the terminus at Prince Rupert. The time was early summer and the hour about mid-day. Sunlight sparkled across the harbor. Officials of varying degrees of consequence shook hands with smiling citizens. About everybody was there, except the man whose indomitable will and guiding hand had served so well.

The four lots on Third Avenue opposite the post office recently turned over by the government to the War Assets Corporation for eventual sale once served as sites for buildings in a small way. The ground was well above grade. The residence of the late V. W. Smith stood there. It was a two-story frame structure and convenient. In those cheerful days, no one could tell what might occur from one half hour to another and one morning it came the Smith family's turn.

Being went the blast, up went the rocks, and one of the weightiest passed through the roof, landing on the parlor floor not more than a few feet from the piano. No one was injured, but everybody admitted there had been a good old fashioned scare, for there was reason enough. "Oh," remarked V. W. S., with

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fitting philosophy, "it could have been a lot worse."

There was another, and smaller home on that piece of ground. It was a one-man establishment, occupied by J. E. Melvin, a watchmaker, whose sole companion was a parrot who dwelt in a cage in the front room and who pretended to be able to talk. The tenant was well along in years, welcomed any chance visitors. Finally, he was not seen or heard of for days. His little home was investigated. He had passed away in his sleep, a burnt out match in his hand.

Arthur Ellis, public executioner, was in Prince Rupert twice a good many years ago. It was when he was on his way back home after a professional engagement in Yukon. Mr. Ellis spent a day or so in New Westminster this week. The day he slipped quietly through Prince Rupert was slushy and chill. The steamer was in port but briefly and, if Mr. Ellis sauntered up town, few indeed knew it. The plainly dressed quiet little man lingered by the deck rail. Now and then, he would make a small snowball and idly toss it overboard. There was nothing about Ellis that would single him out from the crowd. He was just ordinary. That sums it up.

Ellis' predecessor in office, Radcliffe, was different in appearance. He had a friendly way with him, if encouraged. In fact, he liked to chat. If he ever happened to be in the town you called home, an easy place to find him would be a bar. Like many another, he enjoyed a drink. Radcliffe was inclined to be dark, with florid complexion. In the matter of hats, he seemed

## Adult Lake Trout Being Transferred

WINNIPEG—Under the supervision of the Game and Fisheries Branch of the Manitoba government, 350 Adult Lake trout have been transplanted from a lake north of the Pas to Crow Duck Lake in the northern portion of the Whiteshell Game Preserve of Manitoba. It is another of the game fish stocking experiments that have been carried out for some time by the provincial government. The trout, in large square tins of fresh water, arrived in Winnipeg from the north over Canadian National lines and were immediately transferred to Lac Du Bonnet where they were flown to their new home. They were large-sized lake trout weighing about 3½ to 4 pounds and according to officials would be spawning very soon.

to have a preference for the sailor's cap, with glazed peak. Years ago, executions took place, not at the provincial penitentiary, but in the city or town where the trial was held and conviction returned. The sight of a scaffold was something that shook the composure and nerves of plenty of good people who could not help seeing it unless they remained at home until after the P. E. had performed his duty and gone his way.

Edmund Lipsin left by air today for Vancouver to take up his second year studies at the University of British Columbia after spending a holiday here.

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## LONGEST WORLD SERIES GAME

Over Three Hours Taken Up As Brooklyn Takes Third Game From New York

EBBETS FIELD, ©—Brooklyn Dodgers opened up with an early lead on the New York Yankees and just lasted through the longest nine-inning game in the World Series history to earn a 9 to 8 edge yesterday for their first victory in the third game of the 1947 subway series. It was a three hour and five minute struggle that consumed five Yankee pitchers and three Dodger chucks. Thus the Brooklyn club opened its home half of the series successfully after two defeats in Yankee Stadium.

Line-ups:  
New York—Stirnweiss 2b, Hendrich rf, Lindell lf, DiMaggio cf, McQuinn 1b, W. Johnson 3b, Rizzuto ss, Lollar c, Newsome p.  
Brooklyn—Janney 2b, Robinson 1b, Reiser cf, Walker rf, Hermanski lf, Reese ss, Jorgensen 3b, Hatten p.

Umpires—Rommell (AL) plate; Goetz (NL) first base; McGowan (AL) second base; Pineault (NL) third base; Magerkurth (NL) left field line; Boyer (AL) right field line.

First Inning  
No runs, two hits, no errors, none left.

Second Inning  
Six runs, seven hits, no errors, two left. Yanks scoreless.

Hermanski came home for the first score of game when Edwards lashed line drive for double. Edwards came home on Reese's single, Reese and Hatten scored on Stanky's double. Raschi replaced Newsome. Furillo, pinch-hitting for Reiser, smashed double off scoreboard, scoring Stenke and Robinson.

Brooklyn 6 New York 0.

Third Inning  
Three runs, four hits, no errors, three left.

Lindell shot single to centre, scoring Lollar and Clark came home on DiMaggio's centre field single. Dodgers made score 7 to 2, end of third when Hermanski came in on Jorgensen double.

Fourth Inning  
Four runs, four hits, one error, four left. Count scored to 9 to 4 for Dodgers at end of fourth.

Lollar doubled, scoring Johnson, and came in on single by Stirnweiss. Chandler, right hand pitcher, took over in fourth for Yanks. Stanky scored on Walker's single and Furillo crossed the plate on Hermanski's single.

Fifth Inning  
Two runs, two hits, no errors, one left. Dodgers, scoreless, retired on three plays. Yanks scored two, making score 9-6.

DiMaggio smashed 350 foot homer into left field stands scoring Lindell.

Sixth Inning  
One run, three hits, no errors, five left. Dodgers scoreless.

## LETTERBOX

HAS THE WORM TURNED?  
Editor, Daily News:

It is doubtful if baseball fans can recall a more discouraging stroke of fate to confront a ball team than that which befel the Brooklyn Dodgers in the third game of the 1947 World Series. As in the present series they were opposed by the New York Yankees, who, as was the case this year, had won the first two games. The Dodgers had the game cinched in the ninth when pitcher Hugh Casey, who had two men down, put the third strike on the batter but the catcher, while stopping the ball, did not catch same and made no effort to pick it up and first it, taking it for granted that the game was over as it didn't appear as though the batter was going to run. However, the coach or somebody, noting the situation, got the batter started for first and, in the mix-up and excitement, the Dodger's catcher just couldn't seem to put his hand on the ball until it was too late. The runner was safe. With the Yankee's big artillery, including Joe DiMaggio, coming up the laughter that followed was not only disheartening to the Dodgers, whom history records lost the game, but to any

Henrich smashed double off Stanky's glove, scoring Brown. Side retired with bases loaded.

Seventh Inning  
One run, two hits, no errors, one left. Yankees climbed to within one run of tying game when Berra, pinch hitting for Lollar, smashed home run over right field scoreboard. Casey replaced Branca for Dodgers.

Eighth Inning  
No runs, two hits, no errors, two left.

Ninth Inning  
Dodgers held slim margin one run lead by keeping Yanks scoreless to win game 9-8.

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sport loving fan. It so upset the morale of the Dodger's team that they had no fight left when the Yankees went on to make it four straight the next day. They still had more than enough of that bad luck in the second game of the present series, with the Yankees getting the breaks as usual.

But yesterday it was different. With the Yankees getting as many hits as the Dodgers, including two homers one by a pinch-hitter, a World Series record, the Dodgers withstood the best the Yankees had to offer.

Despite the latter's several attempted onslaughts, the Dodgers held the fort, breaking the backbone of the Yankee's last endeavour when they doubled up on DiMaggio's effort in the ninth. Could it be that de woin has toiled for dem Bums?  
J. MULRONEY.

Paul Rosang left by air today for Port Hardy enroute to Alert Bay where he will commence fishing for herring. Mrs. Rosang and children will leave on next Tuesday's boat to join Mr. Rosang.

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